

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOSTON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
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1924 Feb. 27

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The society met and dined at the Boston City Club, Mr. Gifford in the chair. Present - Messrs. Willey, Joy, Faeltner, Shephardson, Wheeler, C. W. Morse, C. A. Davis, Kuhn, Shumway, Wardner, Bates, Comstock and Pond.

Mr. Willey reported for the committee on a proposed membership certificate and showed an initial draft. It was voted that the committee prepare and submit a corrected sketch and report on estimated costs including that of a real press to be used on certificate.

It was voted that action on new names proposed for membership be postponed to the next meeting.

The President read a letter from Mr. George A. Gillette of Rochester, N. Y. presenting to the Society a medal of Mr. Gillette struck while he was President of the Rochester Numismatic Society. The medal after being exhibited to the meeting was given to the Curator for safe keeping.

The committee on proposed annual dues reported recommending the Society have small annual dues. A general discussion followed after which -

It was voted that By Law no. 10 of the Society which had previously been suspended be resumed and

It was voted that annual dues of \$2 (two dollars) per member be imposed for the year 1924.

It was voted that the chair appoint a committee to present at the Society's next meeting such revisions and amendments to the Society's by-laws as to adapt the by-laws to the present needs of the Society.

It was voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits - Mr. Gifford - 4 medals of the Societe des Amis de la medaille d'art de Belgique - badge of the U. S. Courier service in the World War (the A. E. F. in France) presented to him by Capt. J. Mortimer Shovel of Baltimore Md.

Mr. Willey - gold medal of Veterans of the Mexican War.

Mr. C. A. Davis - medal issued in 1889 on 700th anniversary of the Mayoralty of the City of London - Amer. Numis. Society medal on dedication of Grant's tomb in 1897 - Cardinal O'Connell medal 1908 - silver medal on visit of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales to India in 1921-1922.

1924 April 30.

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The society met and dined at the Boston City Club, Present - President Gifford in the chair, also Messrs. Kuhn, Faeltner, Storer, Shephardson, Willey, Shumway, C. A. Davis, Comstock, Wardner, Bates, Tilden, C. W. Morse, Pond and as guest Col. John S. Barrows, Exchange Editor of the Boston Transcript.

After dinner Col. Barrows read an extremely interesting paper on "How the Eagle became the American National Emblem". The thanks of the meeting were voted Col. Barrows.

The President then called the business meeting to order and the Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

The amended by-laws were read by Mr. Kuhn and it was voted that they be accepted.

The following persons were proposed for membership and were elected

Professor Allan West - Wheaton College, Norton, Mass.

John Reddy - % Emerson + Co., 353 Washington St., Boston Mass.

Julius Gutttag - % Gutttag Bros, 16 Exchange Place, New York City.

It was voted that the President and Secretary be authorized to have the by-laws and a list of members printed when they consider it advisable to do so.

The resignation of FRANK T. TAYLOR was read and accepted.

It was voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits; - Mr. C. A. Davis showed the Edward VII coronation medal, 1902 - the Port of Sao Paulo, Brazil medal 1906, - and the English Battle of Jutland medal 1916, - all in silver.

Dr. Storer showed a satirical "Bryan dollar" apparently undecorated heretofore, uni face, with stamped inscription "BRYAN DOLLAR - DON'T (sic) IT JAR YOU. In field - 16 TO 1.

Mr. Pond showed 3 medals of the French Revolution on the execution of Louis XVI.

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May 28

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The Society met and dined at the Hotel Bellevue.
Present - Pres. Gifford in the chair, also messrs. Wheeler, Faeltten, Willey, Joy, Shumway, C.W. Morse, C.A. Davis, Shephardson, Cornstock, Childs, Dr. H.J. Perry, and Pond.

The secretary's report of the previous meeting was read and accepted.

The secretary read a letter from Mr. Allan B. West declining membership in the Society under his election at the last meeting.

Mr. Foster Stearns was unanimously elected an honorary member in view of his eminent services and generosity in connection with the Society's medal struck at the time of the Pilgrim Tercentenary.

The Treasurer read a statement telling of the establishment of a permanent fund into which has been transferred all initiation fees received since the establishment of the Society and all life membership dues received since 1885.

The President appointed a Committee consisting of messrs. Wheeler, Faeltten and Pond to consider the subject of honorary memberships in the Society.

A letter was read from Mr. Charles Markus to the Society inviting the contribution of a paper to be read at the American Numismatic Association's Convention at Cleveland. It was voted that Mr. Wheeler be authorized to write such a paper for the Society, he to select his own topic.

The President appointed messrs. Wheeler, Faeltten and Shumway delegates to the A. N. A. Convention. It was voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits described on next page.

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October 22.

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The Society met and dined at the Hotel Bellevue, Boston. Present - President Gifford in the chair, also messrs. Shephardson, Storer, Wheeler, Faeltten, C.A. Davis, Wardner, C.W. Morse, Shumway, Stafford, Willey, Tilden, Cornstock and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

President Gifford described at length his protest to the United States Government Customs authorities by which he secured a Treasury Department ruling admitting medals and decorations to the country free of customs duty.

With reference to the controversy about the position of the feet of the flying eagle on the reverse of the current United States 25¢ piece Mr. Wheeler showed photographs of a flying eagle taken in Mexico in which the bird's feet are drawn up ready to pounce on its prey.

It was voted to adjourn.
Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits.

By Mr. Stafford - medal struck ^{in white metal} on completion of Erie Canal 1825 presented to Capt. H.W. Sherman by the City of New York.

By Mr. Cornstock - 2 specimens (with different reverses) of the States of Jersey 1/2 of a shilling 1923.

By Mr. Shumway - Platen struck from the lead of President Lincoln's coffin, struck with a die to commemorate the occasion of his death.

By Mr. Davis - large silver jubilee medal of Queen Victoria by Sir J. E. Boehm, R. A. 1887. Bronze medal of King Albert and Queen Elizabeth commemorating aerial crossing of English Channel, July 1918. Worcester High School Bullock award medal 1859 in silver. Washington Peace Medal - engraved on edge, "From the National Lancers, Feb. 22, 1909 to Eben Draper, Governor. Rare medal in aluminium of Mr. Johnson of Newburyport, Mass.

Dec 4

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The Society dined at the City Club at 6.30 with
Mr. Gifford in the chair & present Messrs. Rhenn
Shepardson, Kimball, C. W. Morse, C. D. Morse, Gifford
Comstock, Faellen, Davis, Willey, Storer.

It was voted that Messrs. Wheeler & Storer be appointed
a committee to draw up resolutions on the death of
Mr. Fred Joy & to send the same to the family.

The chair appointed Messrs. Faellen, Willey &
C. W. Morse a committee to present Mornica
tians at the Annual Meeting.

Mr. Gifford presented to the Society a Pine
Tree Shilling suitably mounted to be worn by
successive Presidents of the Society as a badge of
office.

A motion of Mr. Willey the thanks of the Society
were tendered to Mr. Gifford for his gift.

Mr. Comstock showed the Flora Temple medal
the Bela Pratt Lincoln medals & the Chicago
Landing of Columbus - Declaration of Independence
medal.

Mr. Davis showed the two Washington Peace medal
the Lincoln IN MEMORY OF THE LIFE in two medals
a Lincoln Funeral Badge & his Lincoln campaign pin.
Mr. Gifford showed an Austrian medal in silver of 1797
given as a reward to soldiers. Mr. C. W. Morse showed
the Coolidge inauguration medal.

Mr. Storer showed the massive silver medal issued
by the Society of the Cincinnati at the unveiling of
the Soldiers Monument in Philadelphia in 1897
recently presented to the Man. Historical Society by
Mr. Winslow Warren.

Malcolm Storer
see pro tem.

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Jan 25

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Annual Meeting.

The Society met and dined at Cottrell's Dining Rooms.
Present - President Gifford in the chair, - also Messrs.
Shepardson, Wheeler, Storer, Childs, C. W. Morse,
Comstock, C. A. Davis, Kuhn, C. H. Stearns, H. A. Gray,
Willey, Reddy, C. S. Morse and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read
and accepted.

It was voted that the Society buy from Mr. Foster Stearns
and Dr. Storer twelve Pilgrim Tercentenary medals at
\$3. each to hold for its future uses.

By a unanimous vote the Secretary was instructed
to enter on the Society's records the Society's great
appreciation of President Gifford's protracted and
unremitting work which resulted in the successful
closing of the Society's accounts in connection with
the financing of the Pilgrim Tercentenary medal.

Mr. Gray, the District Secretary of the American
Numismatic Association, spoke on "Old Coin Week" to be
observed the week of February 15th and urged members to
hold public exhibitions of interesting coins.

The Treasurer's report for the past year was read and
accepted.

Mr. Wheeler read an expression of sympathy on the
death of Fred Joy, Esq. It was voted that this be spread on
the Society's records and that a copy be sent to his family.

Mr. Willey reported as chairman of the committee on
nominations for officers for the ensuing year and submitted
the following

For president - Dr. Malcolm Storer
for vice president & curator - Dr. H. J. Perry
for treasurer - William D. Comstock
for secretary - Shepard Pond

It was voted that the report be accepted and the
committee be discharged.

It was voted that the Secretary cast a single ballot for the
election of the above which was done and these officers were
declared elected for the coming year.

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 Ann. meet. The Secretary then told of a call he had recently received
 Jan. 20. from a Mr. Fred C. Eaton of Hancock, New Hampshire
 (continued) who stated he was the owner of a United States 1804
 silver dollar which he had loaned during the past
 year to the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. The history
 of this piece, according to Mr. Eaton, is that it has,
 for approximately eighty years, been in the
 possession of either Mr. Eaton or his uncle, Mr.
 Lewis Hunt also of Hancock N.H. It is stated that
 about eighty years ago a miller operating a grist mill
 near Hancock took this coin from a customer in
 payment for grist, that it was then recognized by as a
 rare coin by the miller's brother who at once
 acquired it and soon after sold it to Mr. Lewis Hunt
 for \$2.50. Mr. Eaton, the present owner, added that
 his uncle Mr. Hunt was considered as very profligate
 by his family to have paid a premium of 150% for
 a silver dollar.

This piece is now available for inspection at the
 Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

It was voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

An Expression of Appreciation and Sympathy on
 the death of Fred Joy, Esq., read by Mr. H. L. Wheeler
 at the Annual Meeting on January 25th 1925
 of the Boston Numismatic Society.

"The members of the Boston Numismatic Society
 wish to express on its records their profound sense of
 the loss they have sustained in the sudden death on
 November 3rd, last, of Fred Joy, Esq., of Winchester.

Mr. Joy was one of the most genial and
 companionable members of this Society, which he
 joined in the autumn of 1909, in whose welfare he
 had since shown a constant and lively interest,
 and which he served as Treasurer during the years
 1909 to 1923, and as Vice-President and Curator in
 1924. For many years he had been active in making
 an extensive and valuable collection of coins of the
 United States.

We have many happy memories of his presence
 at our meetings and greatly regret that he is no
 longer among us; and we extend to his surviving
 relatives our deep sympathy in their bereavement."

Boston, January 21, 1925.

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Mr. Wheeler showed the Russian Soviet 1923 gold
1 Chervonetz.

Mr. Shepardson showed the 1914 Official Souvenir of
the San Diego Exhibition in silver and in brass,
also a 1 peso silver necessity piece of Chile, - and
the Lincoln "Lincoln Honnete Homme" medal.

Mr. Comstock showed the U.S. 1/2 dollar of 1813 with
"U.S." between head and date.

Report of William O. Comstock, Treasurer of the Boston Numismatic Society for the year ending Dec. 31st 1924.

Jan. 1st 1924 On hand \$200.00 like bonds as last year
and cash ————— \$54.84

Jan. May from dinners received 0.70

During the year 1924 initiation fees @ 3.00 6.00

" " " dues @ 2.00 74.00

" " " life memberships @ 20.00 40.00

Coupons on U.S. bonds 9.00

Interest at Suffolk Savings 3.71

Total 188.25

Expenditures: Jan. bill Dr. Stone postage etc. 4.70

During the year Treasurer for " " 1.65

May 9. Thos. Ford Co. 200 certificates 10.00

Dec 31, 1924 Balance on hand 171.90

Total 188.25

Of the balance on hand there is in the

Suffolk Savings 133.63

The rest of the balance is, with the two
bonds, carried as a permanent fund in

the Provident and is Dec 31/24 38.27

Respectfully William O. Comstock, Treasurer

Brookline, Jan. 21, 1925.

1925

May 26

The Society met and dined at Cottrell's Restaurant.
 Present - Mr. Storer in the chair, also Messrs. Wheeler,
 Shepardson, Willey, Gifford, Childs, Faelten, and Davis.

Mr. Faelten was appointed as delegate to represent
 the Society at the annual convention of the American
 Numismatic Association.

There being no other business the meeting was
 adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y

Exhibits -

Mr. Davis showed - the large medal of the American Exhibition
 at New Orleans in 1886; - the Jeff Davis DEATH TO TRAITORS
 medal; - Woods' Minstrels medal in silver; - and
 the trial metric dollar of 1879.

Mr. Shepardson showed - the Beck's Public Baths token; -
 an 1857 lucky piece; - the John Mathews medal of 1882; -
 and a fine 1802 over 01 \$5- gold piece.

Mr. Wheeler showed - a talero of Tuscany 1692; - a
 Syracuse 25 litra piece; - a dekadrachm of Arsinoe II; -
 a very fine Salute of 1422; - a Roumanian 50 lei
 piece of 1906. He also called attention to the fact that
 in the Lewis and Clark gold dollar the portraits as
 hitherto described have been wrongly attributed; - the
 portrait generally called that of Clark being in
 reality that of Lewis.

Dr. Storer showed the medal of the Lenox Horticultural
 Society, a medal of the Anne. Achard School at
 Cambridge and paper weight medals of the
 Fall River Bleachery and the Stearns Lumber Co.
 at Neposet.

Mr. Willey showed a voting medal of the G. A. R. with
 bust of Gen. Phil. Kearney.

1925

Oct. 2

The Society met and dined at the Hotel Bellevue, Boston.
 Present, Mr. Storer in the chair, also Messrs. Wheeler,
 Faelten, C. A. Davis, Gray, Childs, C. Morse, Shepardson,
 Comstock, Gifford and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and
 accepted. The meeting was adjourned.
 Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits -

Mr. Davis showed; - American Legion Post Commanders Badge
 Gifford Balloon Medal - South African Republic
 2 shillings 1892 - Jenny Lind medal with blank
 reverse - 1,000 mark note (in silk) of Bielefeld -
 medal on the visit of the King of Holland to
 Scheveningen celebrating the 100th anniversary of
 Dutch Independence.

Mr. Gray showed - Amer. Numismatic Soc. 1909 Lincoln plaque
 the King Lincoln medal in silver and copper; - a rare
 Grant and Colfax Zenotype, C. Sumner 1851
 Civil Rights.

Mr. Faelten showed; - Egypt, Dekadrachm of Arsinoe; -
 tetradrachm of Ptolemy I (the one with true portrait)

Mr. Comstock - Mexican peso of Parral, 1913; - Hong Kong
 dollar of 1903; - California 1/4 dollar, no date.

Mr. Morse showed; - French Republic 5 francs (Hercules
 type) 1875 Paris mint; - Bank of England dollar 1804 -
 Prussia - thaler of Wilhelm I, 1861; - Dutch Republic
 gulden 1802, struck for the East Indies, also 1/4
 gulden, same.

Mr. Wheeler showed; - double ducat of Chas. and
 Joanna, 1516 - 20; - Naples, 1 1/2 ducat of Alfonso,
 1435 - 58; - Kushana, stater of Kanishka, 98 to 106 A.D.

1925

Nov. 20.

The society met and dined at the Hotel Bellevue. Present Mr. Storer in the chair, also Messrs. Wheeler, Kimball, Gray, Comstock, Shephardson, Gifford, Faeltner, Davis, Willey, C.W. Morse, Wardner and Pond. Present as guest Mr. Frank O. Brown of Worcester.

The secretary's report of the previous meeting was read and accepted.

Under suspension of the rules on admission Mr. Frank O. Brown of 215 Beacon St. Worcester Mass. was elected to membership in the society.

Mr. Wheeler stated that, with reference to his remarks at the meeting of May 26, about the heads of Lewis and Clark on the memorial ^{half} dollar, further research had led him to believe that in reality the heads were correctly attributed; not wrongly as he originally thought.

The resignations from membership in the society of Mr. Elmer S. Sears and Mr. Clifford S. Harvey were read and accepted.

By unanimous vote Mr. A. C. Bain was dropped from membership for non-payment of dues as authorized by Article VII of the By-Laws.

It was voted that one half of the expenses of the next dinner of the Society should be paid from the Society's treasury.

It was voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits - meeting of Nov 20.

Mr. Kimball - a proof Stella 1879; Mormon \$5 of 1860 in unusually fine condition; Bechtler \$2.50; and an English sovereign 1880.

Mr. Davis - A.N.A. Lincoln plaque; South Carolina medal of Pan American Exposition.

Mr. Wheeler - New set of the Union of South Africa; gold onza of Colombia 1826 struck at Bogota; the "Vancouver half dollar" and the "California diamond jubilee half dollar"; also the following European post war pieces - Latvia 1922, 20 and 10 santim; Lithuania 1925, 5 cents and 5 cents in bronze; Turkey 1921, 10 piastres; Egypt 1921 10 mil; Russia 1924, 5 kopeks; Denmark 1925, 2 Krone (bronze); Poland 1924, 1 zloty; Estonia 1922, 3 marks (nickel).

Mr. Comstock - U.S. silver dollar 1799 with cracked die (Hagelbine no. 10); California 1881 1/4 and 1/2 dollar in gold.

1926

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Jan 8.

The Society met and dined at the Hotel Bellevue.
Present, - Dr. Storer in the chair, also messrs. Wheeler,
C.W. Morse, Pond, Comstock, F.O. Brown, Willey, Gifford,
Shepardson, Davis, Stafford, Wardner, Gray & C.W. Morse.
The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and
approved.

The Treasurer's report for the year of 1925 was read and
accepted.

The President appointed a nominating committee, ^{consisting} of
Messrs. Shepardson, Gifford and Willey to bring in
nominations for next year's officers of the Society.

This committee nominated as follows

for President - Mr. C. S. Gifford

Vice Pres & Curator - Mr. E. E. Shepardson

Secretary - Mr. Shepard Pond

Treasurer - Mr. Wm. O. Comstock all of whom

were elected as nominated.

President Gifford then took the chair and spoke briefly
of his plans for the coming year.

It was voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits at annual meeting of Jan 8 1926.

Dr. Storer - Centenary medal of the capture of the Island of
Trinidad. On obverse full face bust of Sir Ralph
Abercrombie.

Mr. Wheeler - A very carefully selected collection of about
200 silver coins, mostly crown size, of England
and Western Europe. These pieces, all of which
were in exceptionally fine condition, were struck
principally in the 18th & early 19th centuries
and were so assembled as to give a comprehensive
view of European political and dynastic changes
during that period.

Mr. Gifford - The Chauncy Hall School Association
engraved gold hexagonal ~~medal~~ "Best Boy" medal
awarded in 1877.

Mr. Comstock - The California diamond jubilee 1/2 dollar, also
the Fort Vancouver 1/2 dollar.

Mr. Shepardson - A very beautiful U.S. \$10.- gold piece 1795 -
Mormon \$5.- gold piece 1850 - and the following
U.S. pattern pieces all in copper - \$1.- 1870 (Adams-
Woodin #860), - 3¢ 1863 (A.W. 396), - 3¢ 1870 (A.W. 1060),
1¢ flying eagle (A.W. 257). Also an uncirculated
U.S. 25¢ silver, 1806 over 05.

Mr. Pond - the famous Pistrucchi Waterloo medal

Mr. Brown - Medal of the Society of the Sons of St. George, Phila.,
121st anniversary May 23, 1893 having on obverse
the head of John Sartain, President, also the
Sampson Santiago medal, - the Dewey "Victory of
Manila" medal in bronze, - and the Destruction
of the Maine medal.

Mr. Davis - the very rare Parsons - Labor medal in silver.

Report of Treasurer of Boston Numismatic Society for the year ending DecemberIncome Account

Balance January 1, 1925	133.63 ✓
Receipts: Dues from 5 members for 1924	10.00 ✓
Dues from 34 members for 1925	68.00 ✓
Interest at Suffolk Bank	5.55 ✓
	<u>217.18</u>
Expenses: Two years' dues A.N.A.	2.00 ✓
Stationery: 1000 new printed postals, for several years' use	16.08 ✓
Blank book	3.00 ✓
Stamps and bill heads	2.25 ✓
Advertisement in A.N.A. book	5.00 ✓
12 - 1920 Bos. Num. Soc. medals	36.00 ✓
Balance, December 31, 1925	152.85 ✓
	<u>217.18</u>

work of art of any type whether statuary or medallie a modern piece should not draw on the past but, profiting by beautiful past examples, should draw instead on the present ideals and characteristics and so be truly representative of our time.

The meeting was adjourned.,
Shepard Pond Secy.

Exhibits -

- Mr. Wheeler - 100 lire gold piece, 1925, struck to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the reign of Victor Emmanuel III.
Mr. Gray - Civil War service medal with Lincoln's portrait, without ribbon or bar; - 9 satirical German medals of the World War.
Mr. Davis - Octagonal silver jeton "Chemin de Fer de Paris à Orléans 1838"; - large bronze medal of Frederick, Grand Duke of Baden 1886 on the 600th anniversary of the university of Heidelberg; - set of prize medals awarded J. A. W. Hurlins and Co., Boston, for superiority of "soups and sandwich meats".
Mr. Brown - Civil War Naval Service Medal, - La Follette and Wheeler political medal.
Mr. Comstock, - 11 staters of Alexander III, - also 4 silver Greek coins.
Mr. Tilden - Store card - "Driver's Dry Good Store, Salem", struck over an old and badly worn Spanish silver 2 reales piece of 1786 (said to be unique), - also store card - "J. J. and W. Beale" with reverse (mule) of "N. C. Folger, New Orleans", - also 6 bronze Admiral Vernon medals.

Note: Dr. Henry J. Perry died Feb. 5, 1926

1926 March 26.

392 The society met and dined at the Harvard Club. Present - President Gifford in the chair, also Messrs. Storer, Willey, Faellen, Gray, Shepardon, Stafford, Waitt, Davis, Comstock, Tilden, Watson, C.W. Morse, C.D. Morse, F.D. Brown and Pond.

The secretary's report of the previous meeting was read and accepted.

The resignation of Mr. S.J. Steinmetz from the society was read and accepted.

Mr. M.^{CHAS}J. BOYLE, of 239 Center St. Worcester, Mass, was elected a member of the society.

President Gifford told at length of his talk over the Radio which he made on the afternoon of March 12th from station W.E.E.I., the Edison Electric Illuminating Co. of Boston. His subject was "Hidden Treasure" and his object to stimulate a search by the public for old American coins in the homes of New England, - coins which might, if valuable and interesting as numismatic items, be sold at varying premiums, or which, if worn badly or not worth above face value, might be cashed in and the proceeds be put to productive use.

As President Gifford made the talk for purely philanthropic motives the Edison Co. kindly donated the time and service of its broadcasting station. From the viewpoint of responses by "listeners in" the talk was an unqualified success, responses coming from every state in New England and even from the Maritime Provinces of Canada. Great public interest was shown, the volume of letters being much in excess of expectations although no real rarities were disclosed.

President Gifford gave much time to classifying the inquiries and answering them being generously assisted by Messrs. Shepardon and Tilden who appraised each lot. The Society voted its thanks to Pres. Gifford for initiating and carrying through this work. Voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

The remainder of the evening was given to a mutual auction conducted by Mr. Gray. Mr. Willey acted as auctioneer.

1926 April 23

593 The society met and dined at the Harvard Club. Present President Gifford in the chair, as guest Mr. Richmond of Haverhill, also Messrs. Faellen, Shepardon, Pond, Tilden, F.D. Brown, Wheeler, Davis, Boyle, Hamilton, C.D. Morse, Comstock, Watson, and Childs.

The secretary's report of the previous meeting was read and accepted.

President Gifford speaking further of his broadcasting talk on March 12th stated that replies were still coming from various points at the rate of several per day.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to a special talk by Mr. Lester Watson on "British War Medals". Mr. Watson, who has made a special study of this subject and has assembled one of the most notable collections in America, spoke most entertainingly on the origin, history and manner of award of British War Medals and later showed a selected exhibit the most interesting of which are listed below.

It was voted to adjourn after the members present had all expressed their great appreciation of Mr. Watson's talk and exhibition and had accorded him a rising vote of thanks.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Note: Mr. Watson's departure for Europe soon after this meeting precluded his furnishing a list of the medals in his exhibit.

S.P.

1926 May 21.

The Society met and dined at the Hotel Bellevue. Present - Pres. Gifford in the chair; also Messrs. Comstock, C.W. Morse, Jaeltzen Wheeler, Stafford, Boyle, Storer, Pond, Shephardson, Willey, Davis, C.W. Morse and J.D. Brown.

Pres. Gifford presented the application for membership in the Society of Mr. CHARLES A. RICHMOND, 83 KENOZA AVE., HAVERHILL, MASS. Under suspension of the rules Mr. Richmond was elected to membership.

The balance of the evening was devoted to a reading by Mr. Malcolm Storer of a paper on the medals for the Capture of Stony Point, 1779.

It was voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y

Exhibits -

By Mr. Wheeler - 20 lire, also 10 lire, gold San Marino 1925.

Mr. Willey - medal struck by the New Jersey Society of the Cincinnati for the meeting at Princeton N.J. May 11, 1926 of the General Society of the Cincinnati.

Mr. C.W. Morse - piece of Cob money from an 8 reales piece, bearing Nicaragua counterstamps.

Mr. J.D. Brown - Copper nickel proof 1855 flying Eagle cent. London halfpenny token of 1694 with obverse same die as Carolina halfpenny (two varieties, thick and thin flan).

Mr. Davis - Minter Society (of Cleveland) new type tokens for one dollar.

Mr. Shephardson - Pine Tree sixpence 1652. Souvenir token made from metal from the pipes of the old organ of the Old North Church.

Mr. Jaeltzen - 5 franc piece of Charles X of France, 1825 struck at Paris Mint.

Mr. Comstock - Gold badge of the Society of the Cincinnati.

1926 Oct. 29.

The Society met and dined at the Hotel Bellevue.

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Medals for the Capture of Stony-Point, 1770-1779.

Among the most valued treasures of the Massachusetts Historical Society is a certain box containing eleven silver medals. On the outside of the box is a silver plate with the inscription: "This case of eleven medals, originally the property of Washington, afterwards of Webster, was presented to the Massachusetts Historical Society April 16, 1874, by the Hon. Peter Harvey."

These medals were presented to Washington by the French Government at the instigation of Lafayette, and their history is rather curious. Mr. Harvey, in presenting them, said that Webster, in 1824 or 1825, when looking over the morning paper at breakfast, saw the advertisement of a pawnbroker offering them for sale, and hastened to buy them. Getting into correspondence with Judge Bushrod Washington, the administrator of Washington's estate, he offered to return them to the estate. Judge Washington responded that he had disposed of them and the other personal effects of the late President by holding an auction, at which only the heirs were allowed to bid. They were bought by Mr. Lawrence Lewis, and descended to



Silver medal presented by Congress to John Stewart.

his son, who, owing to financial pressure, directed the pawnbroker to sell them for whatever they would bring. Judge Washington said further: "I am childless and not rich. In a few years at the longest the same process will have to be gone over again, and as the medals are now in good hands I pray you to keep them." Just how they came into the possession of Mr. Harvey I have not been able to find out, but as Mr. Harvey was an intimate friend of Webster and, indeed, his biographer, they may have been given or left to him, or he may have helped Webster out of one of his recurring financial crises by buying them. In any event, they were in his possession for at least twenty years before he gave them to the Society.

The set consists of the Relief of Boston medal, surrounded by those of Gates, Wayne, Stewart, De Fleury, Morgan, Wm. Washington, Howard, Green, the Libertas Americana medal and the Franklin (ERIPUIT) medal. Just why the John Paul Jones medal was not included I do not know.

Several of these medals are of great rarity, their dies having been lost. In 1861 a search in our Mint showed that the dies of the medals of Washington, Wayne, De Fleury, Stewart, Lee, Howard, Wm. Washington, Greene and Jones were missing. Correspondence through our Minister at Paris

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161. Obv., FLOREAT COMMERCIUM Mercury seated upon a bale; in ex., LAUER Rev., view of the city, NURNBERG above; in ex., IETTON. Brass. 25mm.
162. Obv., RECH : PFEN. Lion quadrant to right; in ex., L. Rev., ALEX-MAG Bust to left, in helmet and armor. Brass. 17mm.
163. Obv., RECH-PFEN An urn on pedestal, a plant with flowers on sides, rays above; in ex., L. Rev., ALEXAND MAGNVS. Bust as last. Brass. 21mm.
164. Obv., RECH-PFEN. A tree, plants with flowers under; in ex., L. Rev., IOSEPH. II.-D. G. IMP. Bust in uniform to left. Brass. 21mm.
Wayne's despatch to Washington succinctly tells what success they had—

"Dear Gen'l.—The fort and garrison are ours. Our officers and men behaved like men who were determined to be free."

"Yours sincerely,
"ANT. WAYNE."

Wayne had 25 killed and wounded, while the British had 63 casualties, and 543 officers and men were captured. Congress promptly, July 26, 1779, rewarded all concerned. A gold medal was awarded to Wayne and silver ones to De Fleury and Stewart. The fourth clause of the resolution reads: "That Lieut.-Col. Fleury and Major Stewart, who, by their opportunity in leading the two attacks, had a more immediate opportunity of distinguishing themselves by their personal achievement, exhibiting a bright example to their brother officers and merit in a particular manner the approbation and acknowledgement of the United States."

There being at the time no facilities for the execution of the medals in this country, it was decided to have them done at the Paris Mint, and Jeff-erson lost no time in consulting the Academie des Inscriptions et Belles Lettres as to the legends and designs of the medals. Franklin, writing to Mr. Huntington, President of Congress, March 4th, 1780, says: "I have employed one of the best artists here in cutting the dies intended for M. de Fleury. The price of such work is beyond my expectations, being a thousand livres for each die. I shall try if it be not possible to have the others done cheaper." This hope was not destined to be fulfilled, for I note that much the same price was paid for a later medal. DuVivier made the Wayne medal, while to Gatteaux were entrusted those of De Fleury and Stewart. The De Fleury medal was shown at the Academy of Paris in 1781. A rather curious bit of evidence would tend to show that this medal did not arrive in America until 1783, at which time De Fleury had left the country for France. According to Lossing, this identical medal was found by a boy while digging in a garden in Princeton, N. J., toward the end of 1850, and was deposited in the local bank for the inspection of the curious. Congress was in session in Princeton in 1783 and the medal was probably dropped by the secretary, in whose temporary custody it was. The only bank in Princeton in 1850 was the Princeton Bank, and the present officials of that bank can find nothing about the medal.

While Anthony Wayne was a national figure, not so much is known about his subordinates. Francois L. T. de Fleury, the only foreigner to whom a medal was awarded during the Revolutionary War, was born in 1749. After a varied service in France he entered our army as a volunteer private. He was soon made a captain of engineers, and in 1777 was presented with a horse by Congress for bravery, sharing that honor with Gen. Benedict Arnold. He served under Rochambeau, and in 1783 received a pension of \$1,500 for services at the taking of Yorktown. He was several times wounded and subsequently saw much service in France. Of Major John Stewart practically nothing is known. It has escaped the notice of all historians except Drake that he was a brother-in-law of Wayne.

1926 Oct. 29.

The Society met and dined at the Hotel Bellevue. Present, - Pres. Gifford in the chair; also Messrs. Tilden, Ackerman, Boyle, Comstock, Stafford, J. H. Storer, Malcolm Storer, L. W. Morse, Faeltgen, Wheeler, Shepardsen, H. O. Brown, Davis, J. Pond. Present also Mr. C. C. DURNING as guest of Mr. Davis.

Pres. Gifford told of correspondence had with the War Department at Washington about the "Soldiers' Medal" proposed to be awarded to soldiers for brave deeds in times of peace, and of the progress made towards the establishment of this medal.

Mr. Faeltgen spoke at length on the Convention at Washington of the American Numismatic Ass'n. Mr. Davis proposed for membership in the Society Mr. CHESTER C. DURNING, - 58 Cornhill, Boston Mass.

The proposal was seconded and under the by-laws the proposal was held over until a subsequent meeting. It was voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond, Secy.

Exhibits - By Mr. Morse - the Oregon Trail half dollar.
Mr. Gifford - Bryan dollar in Babbitt metal (Zerbe # 71).
Mr. Tilden - Various Store Cards - Novelty Check Co., North Attleboro "good for 90¢ 1879 - Apollo Gardens (Boston) with reverse R. Chamberlain, Norfolk, Va. 1862 - Learned & Co. Boston - Providence Institution for Savings, Prov. R. I. - Jameson and Valentine, Boston - George Fera, Boston.

Mr. Pond - very rare misface essay of 5 franc piece of Marie Louise of Parma, 181-, in silver.

Mr. Comstock - Thebes Stater with Boeotian shield and vase, - also tetradrachm of Tocris Opontii.

Mr. Wheeler - Gnostic gem engraved on green jasper showing the god Abraxas and on reverse cabalistic inscription, ca. 150 A.D.

1926 Dec. 17th.

The Society met at the Harvard Club on the evening of Friday Dec 17th; the president in the chair and present messrs. Willey, Tilden, Kuhn, Davis, Childs, Ackerman, Boyle, Kimball, Shepardson, Faeltgen, ³⁰ Brown, Comstock, Wheeler, ²⁴ Mr. Storer.

The only business transacted was the election to membership of Mr. CHESTER C. DURNING, address 58 CORNHILL, BOSTON, MASS.

The meeting adjourned.

Malcolm Storer, Sec. pro tem.

Exhibits -

By Mr. Boyle - a 1799 \$10.- gold piece and the Richard Sears medal.

Capt. Willey - the Knights Grand Cross of Our Lady of Guadeloupe - the large Centennial award in bronze.

Mr. Kimball - a quarter eagle, 1806 over 1804 - \$5.- gold piece 1795 - \$10.- gold piece 1799.

Mr. Brown - the Grant medal of the 22nd encampment of the G.A.R. in silver - the badge of the 38th encampment.

Mr. Faeltgen - four superb dekadrans of Ptolemy III, IV, and II.

Mr. Wheeler - an aureus of Hadrian, a magnificent stater of Ithasos of 411-350 BC, - a New England shilling - a Commonwealth Broad of 1656 - a Bactrian bronze of 165 BC - a large gold coin of Bologna of 1462.

Mr. Shepardson - a splendid dollar of 1856 with Gobrecht below truncation.

Mr. Ackerman - U. S. cents of 1809, 1810, 1811, 1813, and 1814 in practically uncirculated condition.

1927 January 21st.

The annual meeting of the Society was held at the Harvard Club on the evening of Friday, Jan. 21st.

Present, - Pres. Gifford in the chair, - also messrs. Willey, F. O. Brown, Shepardson, C. W. Morse, Ackerman, Wheeler, Boyle, Faeltgen, Stafford, Davis, Childs, Waitt, A. Brown, Durning ^{my} Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The Treasurer's report for the past year was read and accepted.

It was voted that the services of a nominating committee be dispensed with and the existing officers of the Society were all elected to serve another year.

President - Mr. C. S. Gifford

Vice Pres. & Curator - Mr. E. E. Shepardson

Secretary - Mr. Shepard Pond

Treasurer - Mr. Wm. D. Comstock

Mr. Wheeler stated that Mr. Royal B. Farnum, secretary of the Massachusetts Normal Art School, offered to present to the Society a specimen of a new medal which is to be used in the future as an award of the School. The Society voted to accept the medal and to send Mr. Farnum an expression of thanks. The medal, designed by messrs. Cyrus Dallin and Raymond Porter, was exhibited to the members present and delivered to the Curator for safe keeping with the Society's collection.

The resignation of Mr. George E. Bates was tendered and accepted.

It was voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond, Secy.

Exhibits listed on next page.

Exhibits at Annual Meeting, Jan. 21, 1927

Mr. Comstock - the Insignia of the Society of the Founders and Patriots of America; -

Mr. A. Brown - 1796 small date silver dollar, very fine; ~~1799~~ 1799 silver dollar, uncirculated; and 1815 ~~half~~ dollar also uncirculated.

Also the following U. S. Fractional Currency all of the 3rd issue -

15^c Grant & Sherman - very wide margin - also with regular margin, both with green back.

15^c Grant & Sherman - red back.

50^c Spinner (50^c in center)

10^c Washington - autograph signature.

50^c Spinner - autograph signature

50^c Justice - autograph signature

Mr. Pond - old marriage ^{medal} of Henry IV of France and Marie de Medici, 1603 - also old German silver gilt medal by Reinhart, "Adam and Eve" and "Crucifixion".

Mr. Wheeler - dekadrachm of Syracuse 400 to 336 B.C.

Mr. Ackerman - U. S. cents 1820 to 1829, all extremely fine to uncirculated.

Mr. Boyle - Bennington 1/2 dollar; Pine Tree threepence; Oak Tree twopence in very fine condition.

Mr. Davis - U. S. Army Mexican border patrol and State of New York Mexican border patrol for 23rd regiment N. Y. National Guard; also English political medal - 8 pointed star with rays - obverse center Houses of Parliament, reverse center portrait of Gladstone.

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Report of the Treasurer
Year ending Dec. 31, 1926

Income acct. Receipts

Balance January 1, 1926	\$152.85
Dues from 31 members for 1926	62.00
Interest at Suffolk Savings Bank	5.53
	<u>220.38</u>

Expenses

January 8 - On dinner account for 14	17.00
64 Stamped envelopes & bill heads	1.50
Membership Am. Numis. Co. for 1927	1.00
Transferred from Income acct to	
Permanent Fund (5 life members)	100.00
Bal. in Suffolk S. Bank Dec. 31/26	100.88
	<u>220.38</u>

Permanent Fund (not including \$200.00)

Balance Jan. 1, 1926	52.13
Int. Provident S. Bank	2.91
Initiation fees	6.00
Four coupons U.S. bonds	9.00
From current funds for life membership fees paid before 1885	100.00
Total in Provident S. Bank	<u>170.04</u>

Assets	200 U.S. bonds costing	199.00
In Provident Inst. for Savings		170.04
" Suffolk Savings Bank		100.88
Liabilities none		<u>469.92</u>

Respectfully, Wm. O. Comstock,
January, 1927. Treasurer

1927 Feb. 25th.

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The Society met and dined at the Harvard Club, Boston. Present - Pres. Gifford in the chair; also Messrs. Wheeler, C. W. Morse, C. E. Morse, Wardner, Davis, Durning, Shepardon, J. O. Brown, Faeltner, Ackerman, Willey and Pond.

The secretary's report of the previous meeting was read and accepted.

The president and secretary reported to the Society on the exhibition by Mr. C. W. Morse at ~~the~~ his home recently of his large and varied collection and the secretary stated that he had sent a full description of the exhibition to the "Numismatist" for publication.

The balance of the evening was devoted to a most interesting talk by Pres. Gifford on the "Charge of the Light Brigade and the Last of the 600." Historical and medallic authorities were freely quoted as well as many newspaper clippings reporting the recent deaths of a number of the last survivors of that action and Pres Gifford read correspondence he had had with one of the Light Brigade in an effort to clear up certain obscure points.

The causes of the Crimean War, the first movements of the campaign and siege of Sebastopol were sketched and then the tactics of the battle of Balaklava culminating in the famous, and futile, charge were covered in detail.

At the end of the talk the Society voted its thanks to Pres. Gifford in appreciation of the evident careful research he had made on this subject and the enjoyment all present had had.

It was voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond, Secy.

Exhibits at meeting of Feb 25 1927

Mr. H. O. Brown - Spanish War Veterans badge.
Bronze medal - "General Lafayette"
obverse - bust in uniform to right
reverse - "The defender of American
and French Liberty 1777 - 1824," in
oak leaf wreath.
Medal given by City of Brooklyn,
N.Y. to "one of its veterans" 1866.

Mr. Shepardon - Silver octagonal medal of
Norse-American Centennial 1825-1925.

Mr. Wheeler - An extremely interesting autograph
letter signed (dated June 16, 1841)
from Wm Wyon the famous
English engraver to Thomas
Phillips, Esq. - relating to proposal
of a medal to be struck in honour
of Sir David Wilkie and offering
"his time to forward the object in
view regardless of pecuniary
consideration."

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April 8th.

The Society met and dined at the Harvard Club.

Present:- President Gifford in the chair, - also Messrs. J. O. Brown, Ambrose Brown, Stafford, Shephardson, Boyle, Durning, Davis, C. W. Morse, Willey, Comstock, Storer, Tilden, C. H. Stearns and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The Society voted its thanks to Mr. C. W. Morse for his exhibition of coins at his home during "Coin Week".

President Gifford made a few remarks supplementing his talk at the last meeting on the "Charge of the Light Brigade".

It was voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits -

Mr. Comstock - Beautiful unite of James I of England, - ducat of the United Netherlands, Utrecht 1759, - Byzantine Victoriatus of Constantine.

Mr. Storer - Bronze medal - sesqui centennial of Battle of Bennington - 1777-1827.

Ambrose Brown - 1856 flying eagle cent, extremely fine, - Massachusetts Pine Tree Shilling, on broad planchet.

Mr. Pond - Essay, 1786 by d'roz, Louis XVI 6 livres, sometimes called the "Ecu de Calonne", in proof condition.

1927 May 20

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.

Present:- President Gifford in the chair, - also Messrs. Boyle, C. W. Morse, Stafford, Wardner, Faeltten, Willey, Shephardson, J. O. Brown, Davis, Putnam, Wheeler, and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The President appointed Messrs. Faeltten, J. O. Brown, and Pond as delegates of the Society to the American Numismatic Association's annual convention to be held August 20th at Hartford, Conn.

It was voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits -

Mr. J. O. Brown - Lincoln silver medal (King #504) St. Louis Exposition, 1904, tokens struck over flattened U. S. cents -
① "Cascade Gardens" over 1904 cent, -
② political token "Roosevelt" over do -
also "Columbian Exposition, 1893" token struck over U. S. 5^c piece (nickel) 1884.

Mr. Davis - Interesting collection of Red Cross colored arm bands (made in Vienna) for use in the Great War - membership badge St. John's Commandery, Providence, R. I., - bronze school medal of board of trustees, Washington Public Schools with bust of Mrs. M. M. Amidon on obverse, - soldiers Masonic identification token for Great War (Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of Michigan).

Mr. Faeltten - Rare Roman Republic silver and bronze coins attributed as follows in "Babelon" "Coins of the Roman Republic - Vol. I, - 10/4 - 12/7 - 13/8 - 21/23 39/2 - 64/53 - 30/40.

Mr. Pond - U. S. 1st issue greenback, \$1. - Salmon P. Chase, - also U. S. silver dollars, 1796, 1798, 1799 all in beautiful preservation.

1927 Sept 30.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.
 Present, - Pres. Gifford in the chair; - also Messrs. Davis,
 604 F. O. Brown, C. H. Stearns, Boyle, Shepardon, Wheeler, Willey,
 Comstock, Faeltgen, Stafford, C. D. Morse and Pond.

The President spoke a few words of welcome to the members present at this first meeting after the summer months and outlined the policy of holding meetings on various days of the week rather than always on Friday evenings in an attempt to improve the average attendance.

The Secretary reported on the annual convention of the American Numismatic Association at Hartford, Conn. in August and also on a meeting of the Western Reserve Numismatic Club at Cleveland, Ohio Sept 15th, both of which he attended.

Mr. Shepard Pond presented to the Society the "Swanson" medal of the New York Numismatic Club for 1927. The Society voted its thanks to Mr. Pond.

The meeting was adjourned.

Shepard Pond Sec'y.

Exhibits - Mr. Davis, - the "Father and Son" medal, 1924 banquet of Boy Scouts, Milwaukee, - in 28 varieties and in 7 metals.

Mr. Shepardon, - ~~the~~ 1798 U.S. silver dollar with small eagle.

Mr. Pond, - English silver coins as follows -
 Anne, 1/2 crown 1703 "vigo"; George III
 shilling 1787; - bank dollar 1804, -
 3 shillings Bank Token 1812, - and
 proof Pistrucci crown 1818; Victoria
 double florin or 4 shilling piece 1887, -
 and crown 1889 both uncirculated.

Mr. Comstock - George III spade guinea, 1789.

1927 October 24.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.
 Present, - President Gifford in the chair; - also Messrs. Gardner,
 605 C. W. Morse, Shepardon, Ackerman, Davis, Willey, C. D. Morse,
 F. O. Brown, Faeltgen, Boyle, Storer, Stafford, Comstock,
 Wheeler, ^{and} Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

Mr. Shepard Pond read a paper on "The Massachusetts Paper Currency" in which he traced the history and depreciation of the various issues and their final redemption after the receipt of the Louisburg subsidy in 1749. The Society voted its thanks to Mr. Pond.

A general discussion of these various issues was held and Mr. Malcolm Storer described a number of pieces in the collection of the Massachusetts Historical Society, especially mentioning a note of the first issue in 1690 which was almost unique as well as several counterfeits, ~~of~~ apparently contemporary.

The meeting was adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits - Owing to the length of the paper mentioned there was no regular exhibit of coins by the members present.

1927 Nov. 22.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.

602 Present, - President Gifford in the chair; - also Messrs. Boyle, Stafford, Willey, Shephardson, Tilden, Davis, F. O. Brown, Storier and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

The President called to the attention of the members present that Mr. F. O. Brown had been appointed District Secretary of the American Numismatic Association for Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont. The congratulations of all present were tendered to Mr. Brown on this recognition of his activities by the national association.

Supplementing his talk at the February 25th 1927 meeting on the charge of the "Light Brigade" President Gifford read newspaper clippings telling of the death of Sgt. Major Hughes, generally recognized as the last of the survivors of the charge.

The President announced that he hoped to secure as speaker at the next meeting the Hon. Joseph A. Cury to talk on "Russian Iron".

The secretary read a circular letter received from a Mr. C. P. Cooke of the British Museum offering for sale a large private collection of electrotypes made by the late Charles Joseph Ready who had unusual facilities for securing models from the British Museum and also had a remarkable talent as a workman in this field. This collection which is now being offered for sale as a whole appears to contain reproductions of approximately 22,000 coins, 1,800 medals and 4,000 seals.

The President announced that under authority of the vote at the Society's meeting on April 30 1924 and in consideration of the Society's present satisfactory financial condition the Secretary would proceed at once to have printed a copy of the Society's by-laws and a list of present members.

It was voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond Secy.

Exhibits at meeting of Nov. 22, 1927.

Mr. Stafford - Two "California Counters", bronze, about silver dollar size; - dated 1849th 1852.

Mr. Pond - English silver medal, obverse Charles II, reverse his queen Catherine of Braganza. Silver rouble of Catherine the Great, 1775. Large silver medal of Louis Phillipe of France commemorating the return of the body of Napoleon to the Hotel des Invalides, Paris, Dec. 4, 1840.

Mr. Tilden - Hard Times Token, - "J. Hall, Walker and Watton" New Orleans 1834, believed to be unique. Noble of Henry VII of England.

Mr. Boyle - English Token - 1804 - "Payable at the Pawnbrokers Office, Bishop St" - W. F. B. & Co.

Mr. Gifford - Thick hexagonal silver medal with ring - "Haven Medal, 1843", Portsmouth, N. H.

Mr. Shephardson - U. S. \$2.50 gold piece, stamped CAL.

1927 Dec. 19.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present, - President Gifford in the chair; also Hon. Joseph A. Conry, as guest and speaker for the evening, and Messrs. Davis with guest, F. O. Brown, Boyle, Tilden, Stafford, Shephardson with guest, Pond with guest, C. C. Morse, Reddy, Storer with guest, Faeltten and Childs.

The reading of the minutes of the last meeting and all business was put over until the next meeting in view of the President's desire to afford ample time for a talk by Hon. Joseph A. Conry.

Mr. Conry who for years had been the Imperial Russian Consul in Boston chose for his subject "Russian Iron, a basis of value," and in the course of his remarks mentioned the famous old lawsuit of Lilley vs. The Fifty Associates. The history of this case goes back over a 100 years to 1817 when David Sears, owner of a building at the corner of Cornhill and Scollay Square Boston leased it to one Uriah Cotting for one thousand years at an annual rental of ten tons of old Russian iron, payable $2\frac{1}{2}$ tons quarterly.

Before the lapse of many years Sears sold the property to the Fifty Associates while Cotting disposed of the lease to a party named John Lilley. Meanwhile the rent continued to be paid punctually in Russian iron until about 1845 at which time the lessee tendered and the lessor accepted money in lieu of the agreed on iron. Money payments continued to be offered and received regularly until March 1863 when, during the darkest days of the War of Secession, the landlords suddenly demanded payment of rent in iron under the terms of the lease. Lilley, surprised and apparently unable to deliver iron, appealed to the courts on the ground that the owner's acceptance of cash payments without objections for so many years had thus modified the terms of the lease and sanctioned the substitution of money payments for iron.

The courts decision favored the tenant stating that the record showed the landlords had regularly accepted money without having demanded iron and that in the

present instance had allowed the tenant no reasonable opportunity to procure Russian iron, - therefore the lease should be interpreted as payable in money at a fair such figure as represented a fair current valuation for the commodity in question.

Not the least interesting point in the case was the uniform testimony of iron dealers of Boston as to the value of Russian iron throughout the time ~~in question~~ since 1817 and strangely enough the early quotation of \$85. - a ton when the lease was written had held with hardly a fluctuation straight through to 1863! a remarkable commentary on the extraordinarily stable value of this commodity.

The society voted its thanks to Mr. Conry at the end of his talk and devoted some time to a very interesting exhibit of Russian naval and marine medals by Mr. Storer.

The meeting adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits -

All by Mr. Malcolm Storer -

- 1686 - Admiral Golovin. Peace with China.
- 1696 - First Russian fleet
- 1702 - Capture of Schluselberg from the Swedes.
- 1703 - Capture of two Swedish frigates by flotilla under personal command of the Czar.
- 1708 - Admiral Apraxin.
- 1710 - Capture of Kexholm by Admiral Apraxin.
- 1710 - Naval victories in Liffland.
- 1711 - To the Allied fleets.
- 1711 - Second fleet to Sweden.
- 1713 - Landing at Abo.
- 1713 - Victory over the Swedes at the river Pelkina.
- 1714 - Apraxin's victory over the Swedes at Abo.
- 1714 - Aland.
- 1716 - The Czar as Commander of the Allied fleets.

Exhibits at meeting of Dec 19 1927, (cont'd).

- 1720 Capture of four Swedish frigates by Galatzin.
 1725 Death of Peter the Great, General and Admiral.
 1752 Launching of a man of war at Cronstadt.
 1788 Defeat of the Turks at Otchakoff by John Paul Jones.
 1770 Defeat of the Turks at Tcheme by Orloff.
 1788 Admiral Greigh, Defeat of the Swedes at Hogland.
 1788 Admiral Potemkin, Grand High Admiral of the
 Caspian and Black Seas.
 1789 For bravery in Finnish waters.
 1789 Victory over the Swedes.
 1805 Admiral Krusenstern. First Russian Circumnavigation.
 1854 Sebastopol.

1928 March 19.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present, President Gifford in the chair; as guest Mr. Farran Zerbe, also Messrs. Boyle, Wheeler, Davis, Comstock, Ackerman, Stafford, F. O. Brown, Tilden, Wardner, Childs, Waitt, Shepardson, C. W. Morse, C. H. Stearns, Pond and as visitor Mr. George H. Bill of Whitman, Mass.

It was voted that in the printing of a list of members, work on which was under way in accordance with the vote of the Society at the meeting of April 30, 1924, the officers of the Society be authorized to spend an amount of money not exceeding \$125.-

The meeting was adjourned at an early hour to allow time for a talk by the guest of the evening Mr. Zerbe who spoke most entertainingly on a wide variety of subjects. The first part of his address was devoted to an outline of the history of the 1804 United States silver dollar and his reasons for believing that none of the 1804 dollars were actually struck during that year. He then passed to a brief survey of the pedigree of the existing pieces recognized as "authentic" in that they have not been altered or faked and which can all be identified as bearing the same obverse although three different reverses appear in this extremely limited series.

Mr. Zerbe then showed his own pedigreed specimen of the 1804 dollar which was passed around the table and was examined with great interest by all members, many of whom had never before had the pleasure of handling this great rarity.

As Mr. Zerbe's presence in Boston was due to his current exhibit at the First National Bank of his famous collection of "Money of the World" his talk naturally turned to his experiences in assembling this enormous mass of material and his object in choosing certain items for exhibition. Throughout all his work both in collecting and in exhibiting he said he had been guided by the principle of making an appeal to the curiosity and interest of the public rather than of specializing in dates or

extreme rarities.

At the close of Mr Zerbe's talk a general discussion followed on points brought out by him during the evening and the gathering was closed by a special vote of thanks to Mr. Zerbe for his kindness.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits - Mr. Zerbe, - 1804 U. S. silver dollar; - extremely rare New Hampshire 5[¢] bill 1776; - rare U. S. Continental Currency \$20.- bill, Yorktown 1778.
 Mr. Comstock, - 8 reales Peru 1831; - 2 Thaler silver Denmark 1855 with head of Frederick VII; - small sized Mexican silver dollar 1824.
 Mr. Wheeler, - Chinese silver dollar with bust of Gen^l Yuan Shi Kai; - brass token of Major gen^l Winfield Scott with names of battles on reverse.
 Mr. Stafford, - \$50.- military scrip of Republic of Nicaragua signed by William Walker (Pres.) 31 Oct 1856; - sheet of State of Louisiana \$2.- notes, Feb 24, 1862 printed on back of sheet of series of notes of a Mississippi bank.
 Mr. Pond, - the new French 50 francs bank note (of the Bank of France), also a 100 francs note illustrating the similarity of the two notes which it is said is causing much current dissatisfaction in France with the new 50 fr. issue. Two original silver medals of Louis XIV of France, one dated 1679 commemorating the marriage of Louise of Orleans with ^{Charles II} the King of Spain and the second dated 1689 and signaling the refuge granted in France by Louis XIV to the fugitive James II of England, his queen and the Prince of Wales (later the "Old Pretender").

1928

April 27th.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.
 Present; - President Gifford in the chair, also Messrs. Boyle, Willey, Comstock, F. O. Brown, Wheeler, Davis, C. W. Morse, C. H. Stearns, and Pond.

The president announced the death on April 20th of vice-president and curator Edward E. Shepardson and read an article from the Boston Evening Transcript of April 23rd on the life and activities of Mr. Shepardson.

Resolutions were presented and adopted on this subject and are entered on the following page.

Under suspension of the rules Mr. RUSSELL BURRAGE, 85 Ames Building, Boston, Mass. was elected to membership in the Society.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits, - Mr. Boyle, - U. S. 1/2 cent, 1796, - Massachusetts Oak Tree 2^d, - California gold, Norris, Yrig, ^{50 mm} Norris, \$5.- gold, 1849 with plain edge, - England, Commonwealth shilling 1654; - ^{50 mm} Boston Watch and Police 6 pointed brass star badge. (Previous to 1854 this badge was worn by the Boston police. On May 26, 1854 the Boston Watch & Police ceased to exist and on Oct 23, 1854 the present Boston Police came into existence, wearing a silver badge).

Mr. F. O. Brown, - Aluminium "Bryan dime" (unlisted), obv. Free Coinage, One Dime, 1896; rev. Patent pending, Fred. H. Tibbetts, Columbus, O. Bronze commemorative medal Battle & Massacre of Wyoming, July 3, 1878, obv. scene of massacre, rev. memorial shaft and dates 1778-1878.

Mr. Davis, - G. A. R. blue silk badge, Post #3 Dept of the Potomac, 26th National Encampment, Washington, D. C., 1892; - medal commemorating 100th year of establishment of the United States Capitol in the Dis^t of Columbia, obv. conjoined busts of John Adams and William McKinley, rev. views of the capitol in 1800 and 1900.

Mr. C. W. Morse, - State of Massachusetts Bay £10 note dated Dec. 1, 1777.

Mr. Davis - Mr. Comstock, - large bronze medal (88 mm) to

Exhibits (cont'd).

commemorate the defense of Fort Sumpter, obv. head of Robert Anderson, 1861, rev. Federal soldier raising fallen standard on parapet.

Mr. Pond, - silver medal of Napoleon Bonaparte First Consul of French Republic struck on reestablishment of religion 1802, - also silver medal on the death, July 22, 1832 of the Duke of Reichstadt, son of Napoleon I

Article in the Boston Evening Transcript
Monday, April 23, 1928

Well-Known Numismatist

Edward E. Shepardson, Who Died at Somerville, Was Authority on United States Copper Coins

Edward Emery Shepardson, whose death was briefly announced a few days ago was known in numismatic circles throughout the country, and his home was at 152 Lowell street, Somerville, where he had resided for the past sixteen years. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. George E. Heath, D. D., pastor of the College Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, Sunday afternoon, and burial is at Pike, N. H., today. Mr. Shepardson was born in Newbury, Vt., May 20, 1862, the son of Simeon and Lavinia Shepardson. His early boyhood was spent in Newbury and later in Watertown and Camden, Me. On Sept. 29, 1873 he married Adella Manson of Pike, N. H., and settled in that town, where he had charge of a creamery. He later became a salesman for creamery supplies, living first in Plymouth, N. H., and later in Somerville.

Mr. Shepardson became interested in numismatics several years ago and was an authority on United States copper coins. At the time of his death he was vice-president of the Boston Numismatic Club. He was also a member of the American Numismatic Association, the Suburban Stamp Society of Boston, Grafton Lodge of Masons, of Haverhill, N. H., Highland Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, of Somerville, the United Commercial Travelers, and the Somerville Sons and Daughters of New Hampshire.

Besides his wife he is survived by a son, Ross A. Shepardson of Newton, two daughters, Mrs. Truell Emerson and Miss Reta E. Shepardson, both of Somerville; three grandchildren, and a brother, Frank A. Shepardson of Los Angeles, Calif.

"In the death of Edward E. Shepardson, its vice-president and curator, the Boston Numismatic Society has suffered a great loss.

Respected especially for his laboriously acquired and authoritative knowledge of early American coins and cherished for his unflinching geniality by the members of the Society his passing will leave in their ranks a place hard to fill.

His services to the Society consisted not only of having held the office of vice-president and curator but, more important indeed, of having been for many years a most loyal member, an assiduous attendant at meetings, and an ardent worker at all times for the best interests of the Society.

As a testimonial of their sorrow at this loss of a universally esteemed comrade the members present at the meeting of April 27th voted that this expression of their sentiments be spread upon the records of the Boston Numismatic Society and a copy be sent by the secretary to the family of the deceased as a token of the regard in which he was held by all of the members."

1928

May 21.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.
 Present, President Gifford in the chair, also Messrs. C. D. Morse
 Comstock, Storer, Boyle, Davis, F. O. Brown, Willey, Stafford,
 C. W. Morse, Wheeler, Wardner ~~and~~ Waitt and Pond.

The Secretary's records of the preceeding meeting were read and accepted.

The office of Vice-President and Curator being vacant, due to the recent decease of Edward E. Shephardson, the President appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. Boyle, C. D. Morse and F. O. Brown to nominate a successor. After deliberation the committee nominated Captain William Lithgow Willey who was duly elected Vice President and Curator for the remainder of the present year.

The rest of the evening was devoted to a talk by Mr. Malcolm Storer on his experiences during a recent long trip around Africa. Mr. Storer spoke both of the personal side of his travels, sights, pleasures and discomforts and also of the economic emergence of Africa as a producer of raw materials. Accompanying his talk by showing and explaining many pictures of natural scenery and tribal festivities Mr. Storer afforded all present a most entertaining evening. At the conclusion of his talk Mr. Storer was voted the thanks of his listeners and the meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Secy.

Mr. Storer showed a tallero of Menelik of Abyssinia, a copper coin of El Mahdi, and a small spear shaped piece of Iron used as money in Senegal and considered as equivalent to 10 cents U. S. coin.

The President appointed Messrs. F. O. Brown and Davis as delegates to the annual convention of the American Numismatic Association to be held at Rochester N.Y. in August.

Exhibits at the Meeting of May 21.

Mr. Boyle - Union of South Africa silver 3^d 1/-, 2/-, 2^d/₆.
 also French 5 francs piece 1815, Paris mint, with head of Napoleon I, struck during the "100 days."

Mr. Stafford - Early English silver pennies of Aethelred II, Edward the Confessor, and St. Edmund, bronze medal 1758 commemorating the capture of Louisburg (Betts 403) and a Spanish "dollar" or piece of 8 1736, Mexico City mint.

Mr. Comstock - small silver medal, with ribbon, Washington Association of New Jersey, obverse bust of Washington facing left; reverse headquarters of Washington "MORRISTOWN 1779-1780".

Mr. Pond - large silver medal, Ferdinand IV, King of the Two Sicilies on his return in 1799 to Naples after the fall of the Parthenopean Republic and the expulsion of the French.

Noted Numismatist Dies

**David Proskey Had Many Ancient Coins
in His Collection — Helped Organize
Museum**

David Proskey, internationally known curio collector and numismatist, is dead in North Caldwell, N. J., aged seventy-five years. He had contributed to the Powell collection of coins and medals in the Numismatic Museum in New York and helped organize the museum itself. The C. E. Fowler collection of Napoleonic coins and medals owes many of its finest specimens to Mr. Proskey and his contribution of more than two hundred gold and silver pieces to the collection several years ago made it the finest collection of its period in America.

Mr. Proskey's personal collection included one of the four known specimens of what is said to be the first coin ever minted—a Greek gold drachma, believed to have been issued about 700 B. C. A duplicate is in the J. P. Morgan collection, and is valued conservatively at \$3500. A series of proofs struck from the dies of nearly every coin ever minted in the United States, and samples of every American coin from Colonial days to the present, are also in his collection. One of his hobbies was the collection of Washington and Lincoln medals, of which he possessed probably more than any other person. He had more than five hundred Macedonian coins, struck previously to 325 B. C., including many bearing the likeness of Alexander the Great and his father, Philip of Macedon. He was a member of the American Numismatic Society, and contributed frequently to its publications.

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Giffard in the chair; also present Messrs. Willey, F. O. Brown, A. Brown, Davis, Burrage, Comstock, Wheeler, Boyle, C. S. Morse, Faeltan, Hardner, and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted and he also reported on the issuance during the summer of the Membership List of the Society. Published as a 20 page brochure and giving in addition to the list of members, the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society together with a historical summary and list of past officers it was distributed gratis to all members and sent to numismatic societies and journals all over the world.

The Secretary also stated that he had had bound in permanent covers copies of this 1928 membership list, of the 1884 list and the 1867 list—all without expense to the society. The society unfortunately does not possess a copy of the 1860 list, a specimen of which is in the Boston Public Library.

Mr. Davis and Mr. F. O. Brown who were the Society's delegates to the annual convention of the American Numismatic Association at Rochester during August told of their attendance and of the activities at the convention which they stated was one of the largest and most successful ever held.

The following gentlemen were nominated for membership

- ① Mr. CHARLES MARKUS, of Davenport, Iowa.
- ② Prof. ARTHUR S. DEWING, of the Harvard Business School
- ③ Mr. BENJAMIN G. LOWENSTAM, - 1 Howland St. Roxbury Mass
- ④ Mr. WARREN A. ROWELL, - 58 Cornhill, Boston, Mass.

The nominations were all duly seconded and the President appointed Messrs. Wheeler and Willey as a committee to bring in recommendations on the above at the next meeting.

As 1930 will be the Centenary of the founding of the city of Boston and the seventieth anniversary of the establishment of the Boston Numismatic Society the question was raised as to what if any notice the

Society might wish to take of these anniversaries. After a brief preliminary discussion the President was authorized to appoint a committee of three members to investigate the subject and keep in touch with developments.

The President appointed - Mr. Willey (chairman), Mr. Comstock, and Mr. C. D. Morse.

The Society voted its thanks to the Secretary for his work in publishing the 1928 Membership List.

Shepard Pond, Secy

Exhibits -

Mr. Wheeler - beautiful large gold marriage medal of Victor Emmanuel of Savoy and Marie Adelaide of Austria, 1842, with conjoined busts on obverse; - 2 ore copper, 1749, of King of Sweden.

Mr. Boyle - Undated silver medal of dollar size, obv. - St George and the Dragon, rev. ship at sea in storm, "In Tempestate Securitas"; - also uncirculated U. S. \$5. - gold piece, 1836.

Mr. Comstock - Uncirculated Mexican gold piece, 2 escudos, 1851.

Mr. Pond - Silver coins of Italy before her unification - Papal States, ~~5 lire~~ or scudo 1853 of Pius IX provisional government of Lombardy, 5 lire 1848; - Venetian Republic, 5 lire 1848. The latter two coins recall the revolt of Northern Italy (the Kingdom of Lombardy - Venice) against the Austrian rule during the general European upheaval of 1848.

1928 Nov. 5.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club at 6³⁰ P. M. Present, President Gifford in the chair; also present Messrs. Boyle, Comstock, F. O. Brown, Burrage, Storer, Davis, Stafford, Wheeler, Willey, C. W. Morse, Childs, Ambrose Brown and Pond. As special guest of the evening the society entertained Mr. M. Schulman of Amsterdam.

The secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

A letter was read from Mr. James Hunt Deacon, F. R. N. S. of Adelaide, South Australia telling in considerable detail of numismatic activities in Australia, describing the several societies there and mentioning a number of the more prominent collectors.

The following were elected to membership in the Society, -
Mr. CHARLES MARKUS - 1513 Twelfth St., Davenport, Iowa.
Mr. WARREN A. ROWELL - 58 Cornhill, Boston, Mass.
Prof. ARTHUR S. DEWING - Harvard Graduate School of Business,
Grad Sch of Bus Adm Soldiers' Field, Boston, Mass.

The name of Mr. WILLIAM C. ALBRECHT, address 174 Walworth St., Roslindale, Mass., was proposed for membership. The nomination was seconded and the President referred this name to the committee appointed at the last meeting for the purpose of investigation and recommendation at the next meeting.

Mr. Malcolm Storer then spoke briefly reminding the members present that Mr. Horace L. Wheeler having passed his seventieth birthday was about to retire from the Boston Public Library where he had been for years Director of Statistics. Mr. Storer outlined the renaissance of the Society in 1907 and Mr. Wheeler's advent as a member in those critical days, his unfailing interest in the Society's welfare and the erudition he at all times generously placed at the disposal of the members. Indeed of the 21 years Mr. Wheeler has been a member of the Society more than one half have been spent in office, he having been Treasurer from 1908 to 1915, Secretary in 1917 and President from 1918 to 1923.

All present joined in the wish that for many years to

come Mr. Wheeler would be as constant an attendant at meetings as in the past and continue to benefit the Society with his wide learning and experience.

The evening was concluded by a brief talk by Mr. Schulman on numismatic experiences and trading and auction customs in Europe. He exhibited a most interesting hoard of Roman coins and jewelry, all in gold, found in France near the northern frontier. The pieces included bracelets, medallion, earrings etc and were obviously the property of some highly placed personage. Mr. Schulman assigned this find to about 250 A.D.

He also showed a number of multiple thalers of Brunswick, coined between about 1612 to 1680, and spoke of the purpose of issue, the uses and the present degrees of rarity of such pieces.

Another very interesting exhibit was the extremely rare 50 reales piece in silver of Philip III of Spain, dated 1635 and struck at the mint of Segovia.

Mr. Schulman closed his talk with tales of several famous finds in Europe and the way in which they were dispersed, giving especial mention of the laws on "treasure trove" in several European countries.

A rising vote of thanks was given Mr. Schulman with the hope that some future visit to Boston might coincide with the date of one of our meetings so that the pleasure of his attendance might be repeated.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

1928 Dec. 3.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present President Gifford in the chair; - also Messrs. Comstock, Davis, F. D. Brown, Boyle, Stafford, Childs, Sewing, Wheeler, Storer, Wardner and Pond.

The secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The following were elected to membership in the society, - Mr. BENJAMIN G. LOWENSTAM, - 1 Howland St., Roxbury, Mass. Mr. WILLIAM C. ALBRECHT, - 174 Walworth St., Roslindale, Mass.

Dr. HOWARD T. SWAIN, 226 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass., was proposed for membership. This nomination being seconded it was referred by the President to an investigating committee consisting of Mr. Wheeler and Capt. Willey for report and recommendation at the next meeting.

The next meeting being the Annual Meeting the President appointed a committee of three, Mr. Boyle (chairman), Mr. Childs and Mr. Davis to bring in at that meeting nominations for officers for 1929.

The meeting was adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits -

Mr. Storer - Medals and Medallions - 15th International Congress against Alcoholism, - 50th anniversary battle of Gettysburg - J. M. W. Whistler, also Carl Schulz, both by Brenner - Chas. W. Ellet by Noble, - Royal Academy of Brussels by Rousseau, - University of Venezuela 1925, - Williams College Medal of 1925 Mr. Boyle - British War Medal, bars - Fenian raids 1866 and 1870, - also U. S. political medals - 1884 Cleveland and Hendricks, - 1888 Cleveland and Thurman, - 1892 Cleveland and Stevenson.

Mr. Davis - Cuban 1897 souvenir silver dollar.

Mr. Wheeler - 1/2 dobra many and Peter III of Portugal, 1786 beautifully mounted in gold filagree border with loop.

Mr. Childs - Set of first issue U. S. fractional currency with perforated edge and many rare specimens of other issues.

Mr. Pond - Two thaler piece of Rudolph Augustus of Brunswick 1683, undated double crown of Zurich with picture of city, - and large 30 Tari silver piece of Ferdinand IV of Naples 1793.

1929 January 7th Annual Meeting.

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present, President Gifford in the chair, and Messrs. C.W. Moore, F.O. Brown, Wheeler, Davis, Comstock, Lowenstam, Boyle, Stafford, Willey, Mr. Storer, Wardner, Waitt, Rowell, ^{Chas.} Stearns, A. Brown, ^{and} Pond.

The secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The report of the treasurer for the year 1928 was read and accepted and a copy handed to the secretary for insertion in the Society's records.

Mr. HOWARD T. SWAIN, 226 Commonwealth Ave., Boston was elected to membership in the Society.

The secretary showed a recently received small booklet of the newly formed Dallas Coin Club of Dallas, Texas giving the By Laws, Officers and Members of the club. This club which was organized May 24th 1928 has adopted as its emblem the reverse of the famous half dollar of the Confederate States of America and a representation of this is beautifully embossed in silver on the front cover of the booklet.

Mr. Pond read a paper on the use by the Kings of Portugal of the title of Kings of the Algarves, tracing the evolution of the latter dignity and the history of the Two Algarves.

Mr. Boyle reporting for the committee appointed at the last meeting to bring in nominations for officers for the society for the coming year presented the following names, -

for President -	Mr. William O. Comstock
Vice-President & Curator	Mr. William L. Willey
Treasurer	Mr. Morgan H. Stafford
Secretary	Mr. Shepard Pond

all of whom were elected.

The retiring President, Mr. Gifford ~~then~~ spoke a few words assuring the members present of his continuing interest in the Society and its future and then conducted the new President to the chair turning over to him the President's badge - a beautifully preserved Massachusetts Pine Tree Shilling mounted as a watch charm.

The Secretary reminded the members of the retiring

Boston Unitarian Society
in account with
William O. Comstock, Treasurer
for the year ending Dec. 31, 1928.

Permanent Fund:-

Jan. 1, 1928, Bal. in Provident Inst. Savings	\$390.90
" 19 " Life membership fee	25.00
Five initiation fees	15.00
	<u>16.19</u>
Jan. & July Interest at bank	447.09
Dec. Half of booklet expense	<u>60.00</u>
" 31 Bal. on hand in bank	<u>387.09</u>

Income Acct:-

Jan. 1, 1928 Bal. in Suffolk Savings Bank	102.28
Dues from 34 subscribers in year	70.00
Apr. & Oct. Interest at Suffolk Bank	<u>5.22</u>
	<u>177.50</u>

Expenses:-

Jan. 16 - Annual dinner	20.00
Mar. 19 - Dinner for Mr. Zorae	2.25
Apr. 30 - Flowers for Mr. Shepardson funeral	5.00
Dec. Half of booklet expense	63.52
Bill heads and 80 stamps	1.75
Dues 1929 American Unitarian Assoc	1.00
Part of dinner bill of Oct. 8th	<u>3.25</u>
Total	<u>96.77</u>
Dec. 31. Bal. in Bank (Suffolk)	<u>80.73</u>
	<u>177.50</u>

This balance 80.73 plus balance of Permanent Fund 387.09 makes total bal. \$467.82

activity of Mr. Gifford during his three years presidency and of the Society's prosperity and progress under his leadership where upon all present joined in a rising vote of thanks to Mr. Gifford for the time and effort he had so generously devoted to the welfare of the Society.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits, -

Mr. Wheeler, - bronze plaque "View of Old East Cambridge" issued in 1928 by the Lechmere National Bank of Cambridge Mass. to commemorate the 75th anniversary of its establishment.

Mr. Stafford, - the following one dollar national bank notes all in uncirculated condition and all received in circulation recently - Naumkeag Nat^l Bank, Salem, Mass. 1865 issue, - Columbian Nat^l Bank Boston, Mass. 1865 issue, - Newton Nat^l Bank, Newton, Mass. 1865 issue, - National Revere Bank, Boston, Mass. 1877 issue, - National Shawmut Bank, Boston, Mass. 1877 issue, ^{and} First Nat^l Bank, Lynn, Mass., 1871 issue. Also uncirculated U. S. \$1. - green back 1862.

Mr. Davis, - British Victory Medal with palm, - British war medal with head of Queen Victoria, bars, - Orange Free State Transvaal, ^{and} Laing's Neck, - also silver Masonic identification pendant of 1806. Silver medal, dollar size, struck at Manila in 1920 to commemorate the opening of the Philippine mint; obverse, bust of Woodrow Wilson and legend "President of the United States."

Mr. Boyle - Superb uncirculated specimen of Irish Gun Money, 30 pence, James II, 1690.

Mr. Waitt - silver 3 shilling token 1813 of "States of Jersey".

1929 Feb 12.

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.
 Present - President Comstock in the chair, also Messrs.
 Faeltens, Willey, Lowenstam, Davis, Boyle, Gifford,
 Stafford, Rowell, F. O. Brown, Burrage, Wheeler, C. W. Moore
 and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

President Comstock spoke briefly on "Coin Week" which began Feb. 11 and the desirability of stimulating interest in collecting among the young and of encouraging a broader outlook on numismatics among those who were in the early ~~stages~~ and formative stages. He pointed out in a convincing way the pleasures and educational benefits to be derived from the formation of a collection of coins or medals and the better understanding of history, political and economic that inevitably resulted from intelligent numismatic study.

The day being the anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birthday Mr. Wheeler gave an extremely interesting talk on Lincoln, his character and his life and acts preceding and during the Civil War with especial attention to how biased criticism, favorable or unfavorable, of any outstanding personality might be according to from what source it emanated.

The President read a printed notice from the Legation of the Irish Free State at Washington advising that sets of the new silver coinage of the Irish Free State were now obtainable there.

Shepard Pond
 Secretary.

Exhibits at the meeting of Feb 12.

*view shown
"Keying"*
Mr. Lowenstam - Two large Italian bronze medals of Columbus struck for the World's Fair at Chicago 1892-1893., - pewter medal showing Chinese Junk "KEYING" the first Chinese vessel to appear in European waters, "Arrival in England 27th May 1848", - large silver medal (with duplicate in bronze) "Massachusetts Charitable Mechanics Association, 1874", - also 1895 exhibition. Tokens" all t lustre.

BOSTON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY'S NEW PRESIDENT.

At the 69th annual meeting of the Boston Numismatic Society, January 7, 1929, William O. Comstock, Esq., was elected President. Mr. Comstock, who was born in Boston prior to the foundation of the Society, resides in Brookline, Mass., one of the numerous charming suburbs of the Hub.

Mr. Comstock, who is no longer engaged in active business, has always taken a keen interest in local historical and antiquarian matters, his old Boston family connections having given him many reasons for this.

For some time he has been president of the Brookline Historical Society, and only the past year relinquished the presidency of the Bay State Historical League. For years he has been prominent in the Bostonian Society and is now acting on the committee for the Massachusetts Bay Tercentenary celebration, which will occur in 1930. Membership in other similar organizations includes the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Massachusetts (of which he is lieutenant-governor) and the Society of American Military Engineers. Technical interests in past years brought membership in the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers and the American Association for the Advancement of Science, as well as other less widely known bodies.

Mr. Comstock joined the Boston Numismatic Society in 1916, having been interested in general numismatics for many years. His regular attendance at the Society's meetings and keen interest in its problems brought election as vice-president and curator for the years 1921 and 1922, followed by the treasurership in 1923, which he now quits to become the Society's head. Needless to say, for many years Mr. Comstock has been a member of the American Numismatic Association, his number being 1583.

The members of the Boston Society are congratulating Mr. Comstock on his election and there is a general feeling among them that the increased activities which the Society has enjoyed in recent years under the leadership of the retiring President, Mr. Carleton S. Gifford, will be continued and broadened by the guiding hand of Mr. Comstock.

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solidus of one of Valens, staters as eus, reverse eagle heads of Athena of Arethusa, on - Syracuse, thunderbolt. ex Mechanic ring raised, is hammer and set - reverse, open ve, - "Awarded at the third exhibition, 1867", - also the following small notes - "10 cents, Chas. Blake and Wm V. Alden, 59 Brattle St. Boston., Nov. 17, 1862 "good for ten cents" (unsigned), - 10 cents, R.R. Higgins Oyster House, 126 Court St., Boston - 10 cents, Eastern Express Co., Boston, - and 25 cents, George Creamer, 243 Essex St., Salem, dated Nov. 1, 1862 and payable at the Exchange Bank, Salem, Mass., - also set of proof English silver of Queen Victoria dated 1887 (her Jubilee year) comprising shilling, florin, half crown, double florin and crown.

Exhibits at the meeting of Feb 12.

- coins shown
 "Keying"

 Mr. Lowenstam - Two large Italian bronze medals of Columbus struck for the World's Fair at Chicago 1892-1893., - pewter medal showing Chinese Junk "KEYING" the first Chinese vessel to appear in European waters, "Arrival in England 27th May 1848", - large silver medal (with duplicate in bronze) "Massachusetts Charitable Mechanics Association, awarded at the twelfth exhibition, 1874", - also smaller silver medal awarded at the 1895 exhibition.
- Mr. F. O. Brown - 31 varieties of "Hard Times Tokens" all uncirculated and many with mint lustre.
- Mr. Faeltgen - Two Byzantine gold pieces, a solidus of Focas in beautiful condition and one of Valens.
- Mr. Burrage, Four superb Sicilian gold staters as follows; - Tarentum, obverse head of Zeus, reverse eagle with open wings, - Syracuse, with heads of Athena and Apollo, - Syracuse, obverse head of Arethusa, reverse Hercules strangling the lion - Syracuse, obverse head of Agathocles, reverse thunderbolt.
- Mr. Boyle - silver medal obverse "Middlesex Mechanic Association - Lowell, Mass.", within ring raised, bared right arm holding mechanic's hammer and scales, below, scroll "We aim to be just" - reverse, open laurel and oak wreath with star above, - "Awarded at the third exhibition, 1867", - also the following small notes - "10 cents, Chas. Blake and Wm V. Alden, 59 Brattle St. Boston., Nov. 17, 1862 "good for ten cents" (unsigned), - 10 cents, R.R. Higgins Oyster House, 126 Court St., Boston - 10 cents, Eastern Express Co., Boston, - and 25 cents, George Creamer, 243 Essex St., Salem, dated Nov. 1, 1862 and payable at the Exchange Bank, Salem, Mass., - also set of proof English silver of Queen Victoria dated 1887 (her Jubilee year) comprising shilling, florin, half crown, double florin and crown.

1929 March 12.

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present, President Comstock in the chair; as guest Mr. Walter Kendall Watkins, and also Messrs. Boyle, Rowell, Faelt, Gifford, Stafford, Davis, Lowenstein, F. O. Brown, A. Brown, Prof. Dewing, Willey, Wheeler and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

Ex-president Gifford told of the work he had conducted for several years past in answering inquiries about coins and stated that as a result of his radio talk March 12th 1926, - exactly three years ago - he was still receiving letters from owners of old coins, 873 letters having been sent him and answered by him to date. In addition to this work he had been cooperating with several Boston newspapers to aid them in attributing coins owned by their correspondents. The society expressed its gratitude to Mr. Gifford for this work which was unremunerative to him and by agreement Mr. Michael J. Boyle assumed this task for the future.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to a very interesting talk by Mr. Walter Kendall Watkins the Boston historian on "Early Massachusetts Currency". Mr. Watkins accompanied his talk by exhibits of numerous specimens of early Colonial notes, deeds, receipts etc. and afforded all present a very enjoyable and educational hour.

At the conclusion of his remarks Mr. Watkins received a rising vote of thanks of all members present. The meeting was adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits at meeting of March 12.

Mr. Boyle - Australian sovereign dated 1867 struck at the Sydney mint, - Republic of Cuba, 5 pesos gold, struck in 1916, - German Republic silver 5 reichsmarks, 1928

Mr. Davis - British War Medal with youthful head of Queen Victoria, bars "Burma 1885-87" and "Burma 1887-89"; another with for Egypt with bar "Suakin"; - another with elderly head of the queen for the Boer war with bars "Cape Colony", "Tugela Heights", "Orange Free State", "Relief of Ladysmith", "Transvaal", and "Laings Neck". Also Egyptian war medal, the Kedivial Star, "Egypt 1884-6". Also Harvard College club medals in silver as follows, Sigma Gamma Club, Signet Club, Delta Kappa Epsilon Society, Institute of 1770, Phi Beta Kappa Society, and Hasty Pudding Club.

Professor Dewing - gold stater of Syracuse of about 405 B.C. die by Kimon with head of Arethuse and reverse of Hercules strangling the lion (from the Avola hoard), - a gold stater of Lampachus, - another stater of Syracuse of about 390 B.C. with indications of the approaching decadence of Greek arts, - a beautiful decadrachm of Syracuse of about 405 B.C., - and a very early and rare 6th century B.C. silver piece of the Rhodesian city of Camirus.

Mr. Wheeler - a tetradrachm of Agrigentum showing eagle and crab, - also two drachms of Lerissa with obverse head of Lerissa and reverse a horse.

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"Kings of Portugal and Alg...."

By SHEPARD POND.

(Read before a meeting of the Boston Numismatic Society January 7, 1929.)

For several centuries the coins of the rulers of Portugal bore a double title reading, usually, when translated, "KING OF PORTUGAL AND ALG...." and undoubtedly countless such pieces have passed through the hands of hundreds, if not thousands, of present-day numismatists to whom the latter half of this title carried no significance. While on first thought this may seem strange, it is but one of the numerous examples of the extreme reluctance of princes to abandon titles, regardless of how little applicable they may be to existing circumstances. Indeed, many recent European rulers retained among their honors and often stamped upon their coins titles to lands long since lost or merged with others, titles utterly unrelated to the existing status of either their families or their domains.

It is in this category that we may instantly place the sovereignty of which "ALG...." is the abbreviation, and as in the minds of many there may exist some uncertainty as to what and where this kingdom, now non-existent, was, we may spend a few moments turning back the pages of history in an entertaining and profitable search.

Friedenburg, in his recent "Münzkunde und Geldgeschichte der Einzelstaaten," tells us that after the discovery of the East Indies and the impetus this gave to exploration the heroism and enterprise of the kings of Portugal found expression in the impressive titles of "REX PORTUGALIE ET ALGARBIE CITRA ET ULTRA IN AFRICA. DOMINUS GUINEE, ETHIOPIE, ARABIE, PERSIE, INDIE,"—a stunning array the justifiable assumption of which is without the scope of our present investigation. We should, however, note the mention of ALGARBIA and the implication that its sovereignty, apparently over sea, attached to Portugal more or less as a result of foreign voyages of exploration. Ethiopia, thoughts of the semi-mythical kingdom of Prester John, the Guinea Coast, all conjure up visions of Portuguese conquests in the Black Continent; is, then, Algarbia to be found across the Mediterranean—is it, perhaps, to be established as an earlier Algiers? Rentzmann, in his extremely useful "Numismatisches Legenden-Lexicon," published in 1865, translates the Latin "Algarbia" to the German "Algarbien" without in the least helping us as to time or place. Elsewhere we find English and French equivalents of Algarve.

At this point we might introduce the interpretation of a leading American numismatist who some seven years ago, in cataloguing an extremely large and important collection for auction and describing a gold piece of John III of Portugal, read "AL...." as meaning "AL(geria)." Again, in listing a copper coin of the same monarch, he gives the title as "IOANNES III D. G. PORT. ET ALGARRIORUM R." Inability to examine the exact piece in question restrains us from more than suggesting the possibility that the transcription should have been "ALGARBIORUM," for in their monumental "Traité de Numismatique Moderne et Contemporaine," Volume I, Page 506, Engel and Serrure, speaking of the Kings of Portugal, say: "They habitually took the titles of 'REX PORTUGALIE ET ALGARBIORUM,' to which they later added African titles. Later! At once we perceive not only that the Algarbian title antedates the African exploits but that it also probably applied to a plurality of peoples or lands. Yet this, again, is subject to qualification, for as we shall see later 'THE ALGARVES' were quite different from 'ALGARVE' and did include African territory.

To go back to medieval days and the bitter and ceaseless strife of the Cross and the Crescent in the Iberian peninsula we find among the various Moorish sovereignties of that epoch a kingdom named "AL GHARB," which, translated, means "the west," explaining at once the source of the Latin "ALGARBIA," the English and French "ALGARVE" and the German "ALGARBIEN." In 1189 this territory had been conquered, perhaps we should more accurately say occupied, for it was not retained, by Sancho I of Portugal, who forthwith added to his other dignities the title of "KING OF ALGARVE DE AQUEM MAR"—meaning Algarve on THIS side of the sea. Soon lost, it was reconquered two generations later, this time by Castilian troops of Alfonso X with the help of some Portuguese allies. This, plus

Thus we see the evolution of a title which, despite the loss of their North African possessions and the amalgamation of their European territories into the single Kingdom of Portugal (now, of course, a republic), the kings of Portugal continued to append to their names for centuries to follow, "KINGS OF THE ALGARVES."

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The society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present, President Comstock in the chair and as guest Mr. Moritz Wormser of New York. Also present Messrs Davis, Stafford, F.O. Brown, Rowell, Gifford, Willey, Boyle, Wheeler, Childs and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

Under suspension of the rules Mr. Moritz Wormser was elected to membership in the society. Following his election Mr. Wormser spoke briefly to the meeting and assured those present of his interest in the future of the Society and his hopes that future business trips to Boston might occur so as to permit of occasional attendance at meetings.

The Secretary read a very interesting paper on "Some Notes on the American Coins in the South Australian National Numismatic Collection" written especially for the Boston Numismatic Society by J. Hunt Deacon Esq of Adelaide, South Australia. Among the specimens mentioned are a Pine Tree Shilling, two Rosa Americana pennies, a Virginia halfpenny, a fifty dollar California "slug", various United States gold pieces and a fair assortment of silver dollars, half dollars, quarter dollars and smaller silver coins, also a somewhat fairly complete range of cents.

He also listed a few "hard times tokens", political medals Hawaiian and Philippine pieces together with several Colonial notes and some Confederate paper currency.

At the close of the reading the Secretary was instructed by vote of those present to send Mr. Deacon a letter of thanks.

It was voted to adjourn. Shepard Pond, Secy.

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Exhibits at Meeting of April 16, 1929

Mr. J. O. Brown - bronze medal dated 1867 on the Canadian Federation (Breton #90), - Bronze medal on the visit of the Prince of Wales to Quebec in 1860 (Breton #174), - Bronze medal dated 1908 on the 300th centenary of the Quebec, 1608-1908, - Silver proof medal of the Canada Board of Arts and Manufacturers struck for the opening of the Victoria Bridge in Montreal in 1860 by the Prince of Wales.

Mr. Davis - Silver medal of the American Institute, New York "Awarded to H. C. Fisher for a patent spring saddle 1868", - Silver medal, with blue ribbon, Royal Naval Training Ship "as a reward of merit", - British War Medal with head of Queen Victoria, "Northwest Canada 1885", bar "Saskatchewan".

Mr. Boyle - Silver medal, "Centennial Celebration of the Battle of Lexington, April 19 1875", - "Bryan dime" in bronze 1896, - Pine Tree Shilling, - Swedish plate money, one daler, 1713, - Pitt token 1766, - Rosa Americana, one penny, two pence, 1722, ³/₄ one penny 1723.

1929 May 21.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present, President Comstock in the chair, also present Messrs. Burrage, C. W. Morse, Lowenstam, Wheeler, Gifford, J. O. Brown, Davis, Le Blanc, Boyle, Stafford ²/₄ Pond.

The secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

Mr. Le Blanc presented to the Society an interesting printed circular dated May 1 1866 issued at Boston by S. A. Chadbourne, corresponding secretary of the New England Numismatic & Archeological Society soliciting new members for that society.

The meeting voted its thanks to Mr. Le Blanc for this desirable addition to its files.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to the reading by the secretary of a paper on "The inscriptions on the Private Gold Coinage of California" and to a general discussion of private issues caused by the gold rush of 1849.

Shepard Pond, Secy.

Exhibits -

Mr. Pond - Private Gold as follows, - Harris Grieg ³/₄ Harris \$5, 1849 (needed edge); Moffat ¹/₄ Co. \$5, 1849; Augustus Humbert, U. S. Assayer of Gold \$50. - slug (887 thous), 1851; U. S. Assay Office of Gold, San Francisco \$10, (884 thous) 1852; Kellogg ³/₄ Co. \$20 - 1854; the Mormon \$2 1/2 and \$5. - of 1849; Clark ³/₄ Co. \$2 1/2 and \$5 of 1860; Clark Gruber ³/₄ Co., \$2 1/2, \$5. - and \$10. - of 1861, the latter with view of Pikes Peak; and patterns of Baldwin ³/₄ Co. \$10, 1850 in white metal, and the San Francisco, State of California, \$5. - 1851 in copper.

Mr. Burrage, - Wazo Molitor ³/₄ Co. \$50, 1855 and Augustus Humbert, U. S. Assayer of Gold \$50. - (887 thous) 1851. Also U. S. Stella 1879 in proof condition. Also 6th century B. C. Stater and 1/3 Stater of Cyzicus and aureii of Julius Caesar, Septimus Severus ³/₄ Pompey the Great.

Mr. Comstock - A. Dechtler, \$1 "Carolina Gold".

Mr. Leblanc, - two British War Medals with head of Queen Victoria, one with bar "Punjab Frontier 1897/8, the

other with bars "South Africa 1901", "Laings Nek",
 "Transvaal", "Relief of Ladysmith", "Orange Free State",
 "Tugela Heights". Also medal in white metal, obverse
 bust facing left Joseph J. Mickley, 1867, reverse. "President
 of the Numismatic & Antiquarian Society of Philadelphia".

Mr. Boyle - Gold 4 dalers (or 20 francs) of Christian IX
 of Denmark struck for the Danish West Indies and
 1 pond gold piece, 1897 of the South African Republic.
 Also 1/2 guinea of George III, 1777.

Mr. Lowenstam - bronze medal of Peter the Great of Russia
 to mark the building of the first Russian war fleet, 1704.

Mr. Stafford - U. S. cent made into a miniature
 novelty tea pot by prisoners in the State jail
 at Charlestown, Mass.

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October 8 -

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club, -
 present, President Comstock in the chair and also
 Messrs. Faalten, Willey, Boyle, Rowell, Lowenstam,
 Storer, Davis, F. D. Brown, A. Brown, Stafford, Wheeler
 and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was
 read and accepted.

The resignation from the Society of Mr. H. S. Allen
 was presented accompanied by his letter explaining that
 he had given up collecting and had disposed of the larger
 part of his notable collection of paper money. Upon vote
 of the society Mr. Allen's resignation was accepted with
 regret.

The President announced that the next meeting would
 be held on Nov 5th. The meeting was adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Secy.

Exhibits - Mr. Storer - Medal in silver, - Admiral von Scheer,
 "der Sieger vom Skagerrak", his bust facing left, -
 reverse - battleship, bow on, firing broadside to starboard,
 date "31 Mai - 1 Juni, 1916". Also ivory disk with
 carved reproduction of obverse. Also plaque of
 Von Koester - Gross Admiral, struck on his 70th birthday,
 29 April 1914.

Mr. Boyle - United States \$5. gold piece, 1798. Also State of
 Massachusetts Bay cancelled notes - \$1, \$2, \$3, \$4, \$5, \$7, \$8, \$20.

Mr. Lowenstam - bronze medal by Ivanoff - obv. Catherine
 the Great of Russia, - rev. - Fleet action, date July 24, 1770.

Mr. F. D. Brown - plaque of Abraham Lincoln.

Mr. Davis - small hexagonal tile (in the style of Wedgewood)
 of Lincoln, showing his head in white on a
 bluish background. This is said to have been
 made in Milwaukee in 1905.

1929 Nov 5.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.
 Present: President Comstock in the chair; as guest,
 Mr. Charles J. Seltman, Lecturer in Classical Archaeology
 in the University of Cambridge, England, and the following
 members: - Wheeler, Sewing, Lowenstam, Stearns, Willey,
 Tilden, Stafford, Davis, Boyle, Storer and Pond.

The secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

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The president called the members' attention to a very interesting article by Mr. Malcolm Storer on "Pine Tree Shillings and Other Colonial Money" in "Old Time New England" a quarterly magazine published in Boston as the bulletin of The Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities. Mr. Storer presented the Society with a copy of the magazine and another copy has been sent to the "Numismatist" to ensure suitable national publicity for the article.

Mr. Seltman, on invitation of the president, spoke at length on the study and teaching of Greek numismatics at Cambridge and the several splendid collections in that city place.

At the conclusion of his talk Mr. Seltman received a vote of thanks from those present. The meeting was then adjourned.
 Shepard Pond, Sec'y

Exhibits: - Mr. Seltman, - a number of choice and very beautiful Greek and Roman coins, both silver and gold.

Mr. Boyle, - Half scudo of Genoa, 1699.

Mr. Lowenstam, - Finely struck Pine Tree Shilling (Crosby 21-1)

Mr. Davis, - French 20 francs gold piece, An 12, Paris mint in beautiful condition, - also Australian gold sovereign, 1867, Sidney mint.

Mr. Comstock, - Large rectangular bronze-gilt medallion of the Massachusetts Bay Tercentenary, 1930.

1929 Dec. 12.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present, - Vice-president Willey in the chair, and Messrs. Wheeler, F. D. Brown, Lowenstam, Davis, Wardner, Boyle, C. W. Morse, Jaeltten, Gifford and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the previous meeting was read and accepted.

A package of little pamphlets entitled "The Chase Bank Collection of Moneys of the World" ~~having been~~ received from Mr. Farran Zerbe, curator of this collection was opened and the pamphlets distributed to members present. The Secretary was requested to thank Mr. Zerbe for the gift which is indicative of a growing interest in numismatics on the part of many of the great financial institutions of the country.

There was shown as a loan from Mr. Julius Guttag a medal, dollar size, in both silver and bronze of Queen Liliuokalani, the last ruler of Hawaii with her head facing right on the obverse, - reverse showing map of the Hawaiian Islands.

Mr. William Hesslein, 101 Tremont St., Boston, Mass. was proposed for membership and Messrs. Wheeler, Gifford and Wardner, ^{appointed} a committee to bring in recommendations at the next meeting on this proposal.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Boyle, Jaeltten and F. D. Brown a committee to bring in at the annual meeting in January nominations for officers for the coming year.

The meeting was adjourned
 Shepard Pond, Sec'y

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Exhibits at meeting of Dec 12.

Mr. Willey, - Engraved silver medal with ring of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston for "The Best Shot" Oct. 4, 1852.

Mr. Boyle, - Young's Hotel (Boston) scrip 5[¢], 10[¢], 15[¢], 25[¢], also 4 daler gold piece, 1905, of Christian IX King of Denmark struck for the Danish West Indies.

Mr. Lowenstam, - Lepion of Herod the Great of Judea, also beautiful United States \$5 gold piece dated 1800 and \$1.- gold of the New Orleans mint dated 1852.

Mr. F. O. Brown, - Rhode Island broken bank bills as follow

Peoples Bank, - North Providence, \$1, \$2, \$5, \$10.

The Farmers Bank, - Wickford \$3.

Rhode Island Union Bank, - Newport, \$10.

Phoenix Bank, - Providence, - \$100.-

Mr. Wardner, - currency token "Bon pour 1 franc" of the Credit Foncier, Monaco.

Mr. Pond, - rare old lottery ticket of Harvard College Lottery authorized by Act of the General Court, of Massachusetts, passed June 14, 1794.

1930 Feb. 18

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The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

Messrs. Boyle and Stafford made a preliminary report of their conferences with the Tercentenary Committee about the possible striking of a commemorative coin for the Massachusetts Bay Tercentenary and reported that the Treasury Department at Washington had not yet reached a decision on the subject but that if such a coin were to be issued it would almost certainly be a half dollar.

Mr. Frank O. Brown then spoke on "Unlisted dies and minor varieties of large United States Cents from 1816 to 1857." Referring to the original list compiled by Frank H. Andrews in 1883 and reprinted several years ago by B. Max Mehl with a supplement of additional varieties Mr. Brown said that in his own experience he had discovered 110 other varieties not shown in either Andrews list or Mehl's supplement. These pieces differed either in dies or in cracks and breaks in dies already listed.

Mr. Brown exhibited a number of the pieces mentioned which by reason of cracked dies and imperfect striking are perhaps unique.

At the end of the talk which was much enjoyed by the members the Society Mr. B. voted Mr. Brown its thanks.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Secy.

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Annual Meeting.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.

Present, Vice-president Willey in the chair, also messrs. Childs,

Boston, January 16, 1930 ~~1929~~

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1929.

RECEIPTS

Jan. 1, 1929,	Balance on hand as shown by W. O. Comstock, Treas.,	\$467.82
Jan. 8,	Receipts to date as shown by records of W. O. Comstock, Treasurer:	
	Annual dues, 1929,	\$ 6.00
	Application fee,	3.00
	Interest, The Provident Institute for Savings,	8.64
		<u>17.64</u>
Jan. 14,	Received from W. O. Comstock, Treasurer,	\$485.46
Dec. 31,	Receipts to date:	
	Annual dues, 1928,	\$ 2.00
	Annual dues, 1929,	56.00
	Application fee,	3.00
	Interest, Suffolk Savings Bank for Seamen and Others,	5.02
	Interest, The Provident Institute for Savings,	18.10
	Receipts since January 14,	<u>84.12</u>
	Total receipts for year,	<u>\$569.46</u>

EXPENDITURES

Apr. 16, 1929,	J. W. Sutherland, bill heads,	\$ 3.00
	Tin box,	1.75
	Postage,	.25
May 14,	Postage stamps,	<u>1.00</u>
Dec. 31,	Balances on hand:	\$ 6.00
	Permanent Fund, in The Provident Institute for Savings,	416.83
	Current account, in Suffolk Savings Bank for Seamen and Others,	145.75
	Currency,	<u>1.00</u>
	Total Balance on hand,	<u>\$ 563.58</u>
	Total expenditures and balances,	<u>\$ 569.58</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Morgan H. Stafford
Treasurer.

Shepard Pond, Secy.

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The meeting was then adjourned.

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Annual Meeting.

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The secretary's report of the previous meeting was read and accepted.
The treasurer's report for the last year was read, accepted and ordered to be filed in the secretary's records.

The committee on membership recommended that the name of William Hesselstein, proposed at the preceding meeting for membership, be balloted on and a vote was accordingly taken with the result that Mr. Hesselstein was not elected.

The committee appointed at the last meeting to bring in nominations for officers for the coming year recommended for President, - Mr. William L. Willey

Vice president & Curator - Mr. Horace L. Wheeler

Treasurer - Mr. Morgan H. Stafford

Secretary - Mr. Shepard Pond

There being no further nominations the Secretary was instructed by the members present to cast a single ballot in favor of the above which was done and the above gentlemen were declared elected.

* All present evidenced their sympathy with the retiring president Mr. William O. Comstock who had been prevented by ill health from attending the last two meetings and who had for the same reason especially requested to be relieved from holding any office in the Society during the coming year. The Secretary was asked to send Mr. Comstock the Society's thanks for his generous services during 1929 and the sympathy of all present.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to a most interesting talk on Hawaii by Mr. Malcolm Storer who spoke at length about the Islands, outlining their history and describing current business and social conditions therein. At the end of the talk which was liberally illustrated by postcards and photographs Mr. Storer was voted the thanks of all present.

The meeting was then adjourned.

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Exhibits at meeting of Jan 16.

- Mr. Wheeler, - 10 litrae in electrum of Syracuse, 300 B.C., with obverse, head of Apollo; reverse, lyre.
- Mr. Burrage, - Four beautiful aurei of Septimius Severus, the first with reverse, a figure of Victory; the second with bust of his emperess Julia; the third with busts of his two sons Caracalla and Geta; and the fourth with busts of wife and son. Also U.S. \$20. high relief gold piece, 1907 by St. Gaudens.
- Mr. F. O. Brown, - U.S. \$5. gold piece 1805, uncirculated.
- Mr. Boyle, - U.S. \$5. gold piece 1798.
- Mr. Tilden, - \$50. California slug, 1851 (887 thous), and another 1852 (900 thous.). Also U.S. \$5. gold pieces, 1798, 1804 and 1805.
- Mr. Lowenstam, - Encased U.S. postage stamps, 5¢ "Drake's Plantation Bitters", and 10¢ "Burnett's Standard Cooking Extracts".
- Dr. Storer, - Large old pewter alchemistic talisman against the cholera; bronze medal of the 13th International Physiological Congress, 1929 with bust on obverse of William Beaumont; beautiful Klippe-thaler, 1693, of John George II Elector of Saxony, struck on his ^{medal} election to the order of the Garter.
- Mr. Pond, - Five francs, 1834, Louis Philippe, counterstamped with bust in uniform of Henry V, pretender to the French throne; - also five francs, 1811, of Napoleon I counterstamped with head of Louis XVIII.

* Add to record of meeting Jan 16.

It was voted that the president appoint a committee of two to confer with the proper authorities to encourage the issue by the United States government of commemorative coins and stamps to mark the celebration of the Massachusetts Tercentenary in 1930, the Society having expressed its hope that such issues be made. The president appointed ~~Mr. and Mrs.~~ Messrs. Boyle and ^{STAFFORD} ~~Stafford~~ as a committee for this purpose.

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Shepard Pond, Secy.

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This talk was reported in the Boston Globe the next day.

Exhibits at meeting of Feb 18.

- Mr. Davis - Large copper medal struck from the "Old Copper of the Belfrey of the First Church of Quincy, Massachusetts, Founded 1639" with obverse - busts facing left of John Adams and John Quincy Adams; reverse view of the Church.
- Silver six-dollar of Ceylon with head of George IV of England, 1821. Venetian tecton of Nicolo Trono, 1471 to 1473. Two silver masters of Morocco struck in the years 1299 and 1313 of the Hegero. Pewter medal with head of Jenny Lind facing left.
- 1860 Confederate States token in bronze with inscription "No submission to the North."
- Mr. Brown - In addition to his exhibit to illustrate his talk - U. S. half cent 1793, very fine but with heavy broad vertical die break.
- Mr. Stafford - Large bronze medal dated 1910 with obverse showing heads of Henry George and Tom L. Johnson.
- Mr. Boyle - series of rare notes of Parker House, Boston.

Note: letter dated March 22, 1930 from Quincy Hist. Soc. says struck in 1911 - 100 struck

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March 19.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present, President Willey in the chair; - also Messrs. Boyle, Davis, F. O. Brown, Stafford, Lowenstam, Wheeler, Giffard, Ackerman ^{and} Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceeding meeting was read and accepted.

On vote of the Society Chester C. Durning was dropped from membership for non-payment of dues.

Mr. Pond told the members present of his having attended a meeting of the New York Numismatic Club last Friday, March 12th, and of a visit, after the club dinner, to the studio and shops of the Medallie Art Co., 215 East Fifty-first St., New York where the processes of die engraving and medal striking were shown for the benefit of the New York Numismatic Club.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to ~~a~~ a very interesting talk by Mr. Davis on "Religious Medals", accompanied by a large exhibit covering many countries and sects.

The meeting was adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Secy.

Among the most important ~~pieces~~ ^{medals} of Mr. Davis's exhibit were, - Milan Cathedral - Salisbury Cathedral - Chichester Cathedral - completion of Cologne Cathedral in 1880 - Cardinal Gibbons - Cardinal O'Connell - Martin Luther Confessional medal 1630 - Second centennial of Luther 1717 - St. Mary of Guadalupe 1895 - The Last Supper - Centennial of the Founding of the Baptist Missions 1792 - 1892 - and a number of varied medals of Christ, mostly in silver.

1930 April 25.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.

Present - President Willey, in the chair, also Messrs. Wheeler, Storer, Gifford, Boyle, Burrage, F. O. Brown, Davis, Wardner, Comstock, C. O. Stearns, Stafford & Pond. Mr. M. Schulman of Amsterdam attended as a guest of the Society.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

Mr. Comstock, attending for the first time since November last, passed over to President Willey the Society's presidential medal, a splendid Pine Tree shilling, handsomely mounted and suspended, which was presented by Mr. Gifford to the Society several years ago.

A specimen of the Bourne Historical Society's 1930 souvenir token to commemorate the Massachusetts Bay Tercentenary (a reproduction of the a Pine Tree shilling) was presented to the Society's collection by Mr. Comstock and Mr. Pond donated a specimen of the Medallic Art Company's medal.

The rest of the meeting was devoted to a most interesting talk by Mr. Gifford on "Laurels of War and Peace". He prefaced his remarks by pointing out the historical, personal and artistic elements which made the collecting of orders, decorations and war medals so fascinating and then passed to a brief résumé of how and when the oldest orders were instituted and the atmosphere of religious fervor, loyalty to the throne and chivalry that made possible the development of and respect for these orders.

Mr. Gifford also traced the origin and growth of the custom of nations issuing war medals to individuals, the adoption of ribbons for suspension of medals and finally the general use of strips of ribbon alone as evidence that the wearer had received an award.

At the close of the talk Mr. Gifford was voted the thanks of those present. The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

1930 May 20.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.

Present - President Willey in the chair, - also Messrs. Lowenstam, F. O. Brown, Wheeler, Gifford, Storer, Stafford, Boyle, Davis & Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The Society voted to accept with regret the resignation of Mr. Charles A. Richmond of Haverhill, Mass.

Mr. Pond showed a recently acquired booklet* descriptive of the new coinage of the Irish Free State and explaining the steps taken to invite artists to compete, the subjects to be portrayed, the criticisms of the designs and the completion of the work and also illustrating all the accepted and rejected models.

This being the last meeting of the Society before the annual convention of the American Numismatic Association, to be held this year at Buffalo, N. Y. in August the President appointed three delegates to represent the Society at the convention, - Messrs. Davis, Jaeltén and F. O. Brown, the first: to act as chairman of the delegation.

The meeting then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits on page following.

* "Coinage of Saorstát Éireann, 1928, - published at Dublin.

Exhibits at meeting, May 20.

Mr. Storer, - large bronze medal commemorating the Centennial of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway, 1827 to 1927 also beautiful silver medal of the Transference of the Sacred Mirror on the coronation of the Emperor Hirohito of Japan.

President Willey, - Massachusetts Society, Sons of the Revolution, - "Washington and Franklin medal awarded for annual competitions in patriotic essays"; also bronze medal on centennial of birth of Napoleon I with reverse showing tomb of Napoleon in Paris.

Mr. Pond, - large cast bronze medal in honor of Napoleon, showing triumphal arch at Bergamo (Bramsen 1186).

Mr. Lowenstam - large rectangular bronze plaque, "50th Anniversary of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, 1880-1930"; large bronze medal, 1835, of Tzar Nicolas I of Russia, reverse showing a large cross radiate; large silver medal commemorating the 50th anniversary of the coronation of Queen Victoria; large bronze medal for the first Chinese War showing youthful head of Queen Victoria; small bronze medal of marriage of Napoleon and Marie Louise (Bramsen 955); small bronze medal, Napoleon presenting the eagles to his troops, 14th frimaire an XIII (Bramsen 357); and pewter medal of the death of the Archbishop of Paris in the street fighting in Paris June 25, 1848.

1930

Oct. 21st.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.

Present, - President Willey in the chair, also Messrs. Boyle, Jaeltens, Storer, Stafford, Davis, Lowenstam, Wheeler, F. O. Brown and Pond. Mr. Ragnar L. Cederlund of Chicago was present as a visitor.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

On behalf of the delegation appointed to represent the Society at the American Numismatic Ass'n convention at Buffalo Mr. Jaeltens spoke ~~and outlined~~ reporting on the business meetings, election of new officers and current activities of the Association. His report having been accepted the President declared the committee dismissed.

A letter was read from Mr. Moritz Wormser pointing out that some members of our Society were not members of the A. N. A. and asking our Society to encourage such persons to apply for membership in the national association.

The secretary read correspondence he had had during the summer with certain officials of the Morris Plan Bank regarding the possibility of cooperating in a numismatic exhibition in Boston sometime this winter.

Application for membership in the Society was received from Mr. ALBERT F. AMEE, Harvard Square, Cambridge, Mass. This ~~gentleman~~ ^{gentleman} was duly nominated and seconded; action being deferred under the by-laws until the next meeting.

All business having been concluded Mr. Cederlund spoke at some length on the organization and activities of the Chicago Coin Club and on his own speciality in numismatics, siege pieces or coins of necessity. A splendid exhibit by Mr. Cederlund is listed below.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond Sec'y

* The President appointed Messrs. Wheeler & Stafford a committee to report on this nomination.

Exhibits over

Exhibits at meeting Oct 21st.

Mr. Lowenstam - Large bronze medal to Commander Duncan N. Ingraham on "his gallant and judicious conduct on the 2nd of July 1853" with view of Smyrna showing U. S. sloop of war "St. Louis" and Austrian brig of war "Huzzar".

Mr. F. O. Brown - Large copper plaque of Lincoln, seated, facing right.

Mr. Boyle - beautiful unite of James I, an almost uncirculated x x shillings of Charles I, and a U. S. silver dollar of 1794.

Mr. Davis - Large U. S. cent, counterstamped with uniformed bust of Grant facing right, "General U. S. Grant" and on ribbon below "Pres. 1869-77"; also bronze medal of Lincoln with head to right left, legend "the president of the U. S. 1861", reverse man in open field splitting logs, legend "The rail splitter of 1830" also pattern U. S. 2^d in bronze with head of Washington.

Mr. Cederlund - Landan siege pieces, 1702 as follows, - 3 pieces of 2 livres, 2 sols, - 2 pieces of 4 livres, 4 sols, and 3 pieces of 1 livre, 1 sol: - also Landan siege pieces of 1713 of 1/2 florin, 2 kreutzer, - 1 florin, 4 kreutzer, and 2 florins, 8 kreutzer.

Mexico - 8 reales, Chilpancingo counterstamped with monogram of Morales and undated 8 reales of Sombrerette with the figure "3" not in a square.

Peru, - 8 reales, 1827, Lima mint, counterstamped "Manila, 1828", and two varieties of Spanish pillar dollars counterstamped "G. R."

An old Neapolitan crown counterstamped in 1564 by Sigismund August for Lithuania and a thaler of Alantzig, under Poland, counterstamped in 1655 by the Russian Tzar Michael Alexis.

1930 November 25th.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present, President Willey in the chair; also present 631 Professor Flewing, messrs. Stafford, Wheeler, C. W. Morse, Gifford, Davis, Lowenstam, Storer, F. O. Brown, Childs and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

Mr. ALBERT F. AMEE of Harvard Square, Cambridge, Mass was unanimously elected to membership in the Society.

Mr. Wheeler showed a very interesting pamphlet on "The Bechtlers & Bechtler Coinage, and Gold Mining in North Carolina, 1814 to 1830" by Clarence Griffin the County Historian of Rutherford County, North Carolina and printed at Forest City, N. C. 1929.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to a most entertaining talk by Prof. Flewing on his travels last Spring through Southern Italy and Sicily. As he had the double object of examining the numerous Greek ruins in those lands and acquiring old coins his trip was one of varied experiences the telling of which gave all members present a rare treat. Prof. Flewing showed a number of splendid pieces chosen from the numerous coins he picked up on this trip and related many amusing incidents connected with these purchases.

At the conclusion of his talk Prof. Flewing received the thanks of all present.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond Secy.

Exhibits -

Mr. Lowenstam, - U. S. Lewis & Clark Expedition 25th 94 50th Oregon gold; - 1/32 gold ducat, undated of Nuremberg, commonly acknowledged to be the smallest gold coin ever struck.

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Nov 25

Exhibits (cont'd)

Mr. Davis, - gutta percha political token "Seymour Blair 1868" with two busts to right in ring of 13 stars; - aluminium token for International dollar with copper center showing bust of Gen'l U. S. Grant; - copper medal for Sumner Hill Monument with bust of Gen'l Wm. H. Harrison; - copper token, obverse showing heavily bearded face of Grant facing right and inscribed, "Maj-Gen U. S. Grant - Vicksburg, July 4 1863" - rare old Boston store card "Mahony's Wholesale Clothes Warehouse".

Mr. Wheeler, - Somerville, Mass. tercentenary souvenir.
 Prof. Flewing, - Three dechadrachms of Syracuse; - a didrachm of Selinus in very fine condition; - a drachm of Segesta; - a very beautiful specimen of didrachm of Gela; - two didrachms of Himera, one of very early type, the other of the period when Himera was under Agrigentum; - an early form of tetradrachm of Agrigentum and a very beautiful didrachm of Agrigentum; a tetradrachm of Cephaloedium; a very beautiful stater of Panticapaeum in almost uncirculated condition; a thirty litrae piece of Tauromenium; a thirty litrae piece of Syracuse of the time of Timoleon; - a very fine small gold piece of Agrigentum showing eagle and snake and a gold coin of Tarentum in Calabria.

Dec 16 1930.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.
 Present, - Pres. Willey in the chair, also Messrs. Boyle, ~~Smiley~~, Mr. Storer, J. D. Brown, Davis, Wheeler, Stafford, Wardner and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The President appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. Boyle (chairman) Faellen and J. D. Brown to bring in nominations at the annual meeting for officers for the ensuing year.

After a general discussion of numismatics in the course of which Mr. Wheeler pointed out the difficulty of rendering terse and correct English translations for certain Latin inscriptions the meeting was adjourned.
 Shepard Pond, Sec'y

Exhibits -

Mr. Wheeler; - miniature gold cross with ribbon of Bavarian order of St. Michael.

Mr. Davis; - medal for Ohio Centennial at Columbus, 1888; - medal for Constitutional Centennial at Philadelphia, 1887; - gutta percha token "Grant & Colfax" showing joined busts facing left; - various silver and bronze medals of Massachusetts Charitable Mechanics Ass'n; - silver medal of New Hampshire Mechanics and Art Association.

Mr. Stafford; - crown of Peter the Great of Russia; - Levant Shaler of Maria Theresa, 1780.

Mr. Storer; - Second issue of N. Y. Society of Medallists, a large bronze medal by Mr. Paul Manchip, obverse with head of Dionysius, reverse showing two fawns treading grapes in wine press.

Mr. Boyle; - token "Roxbury Coaches, new line, 1837"; - token "Maverick Coach, 1837, East Boston, 1837"; - Park Theatre Boston, medal, obverse "Presented by Mr & Mrs. Wm J. Florence" showing joined busts facing left, reverse "Park Theatre, December 13th 1875, 100TH (sic) night of the Mighty Dollar", below, a laurel wreath; - Harvard College, Hasty Pudding Club medal.

1931

Jan. 19

Annual Meeting.

Present, President Willey in the chair, also Messrs. Faellen, Lowenstam, Gifford, Wardner, F. O. Brown, Davis, Stafford, Wheeler, Childs, Ames, Rowell, and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

The Treasurer's report for the year was read and accepted. As it showed a very satisfactory gain in funds on hand the Society voted that the Treasurer be authorized to transfer \$100.- from current account to the permanent fund of the Society.

The Secretary exhibited two interesting new publications, one a book on United States Fractional Currency^①, the other a booklet issued by the U. S. Department of Commerce on Foreign Currencies^②.

The committee appointed at the last meeting to bring in nominations for officers for the coming year reported as follows

For President	Mr. George W. Wardner
Vice-President & Curator	Mr. Charles A. Davis
Treasurer	Mr. Morgan H. Stafford
Secretary	Mr. Shepard Pond

There being no further nominations these gentlemen were duly elected.

President Willey then reviewed the past year briefly and turned the meeting over to President Wardner. After a short address by the latter outlining certain policies and hopes for the new year the meeting was adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

① Carothers: "Fractional Money" pub. by Wiley, N. Y., 1930

② U. S. Dept. of Commerce, Trade Promotion Series, No. 102; "Handbook of Foreign Currencies and Exchange", pub. at Washington, 1930.

Boston, January 19, 1931

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1930

RECEIPTS

Jan. 1, 1930,	Balance on hand,		\$ 563.58
	Annual dues, 1930,	\$ 68.00	
	Application fee,	3.00	
	Interest earnings:		
	Suffolk Savings Bank, 1930,	8.02	
	Provident Institute for Savings,	18.94	
	Total receipts,	95.96	
		\$ 659.54	

EXPENDITURES

Jan. 15, 1930,	Annual dues, "American Numismatic Association,	\$ 3.00	
Mar. 4,	Postage stamps, to date,	1.27	
" 4,	Cigars, dinner of Feb. 18, 1930,	.53	
June 3,	Electrotypes,	2.60	
" 3,	Dinner, - guest entertained,	2.25	
" 12,	Letterheads,	6.00	
Jan. 8, 1931, (as of 1930)	Printing reply postal cards,	4.20	
Jan. 10, 1931, (as of 1930)	500 reply postal cards, @ 2¢ ea.,	10.00	
	Total expenditures,	29.85	
Dec. 31,	Balances on hand:		
	Suffolk Savings Bank,	\$ 187.77	
	Provident Institute for Savings,	435.77	
	Currency,	6.15	
		629.69	
		\$ 659.54	

Respectfully submitted:

Morgan H. Stafford
Treasurer.

1931

Feb. 16

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present, Pres. Wardner, in the chair, also present Messrs. Faeltten, F. O. Brown, Boyle, Wheeler, Amee, Davis, Willey, Rowell, C. W. Morse, Tilden ^{and} Pond.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

Application to join the Society was received from Mr. E. M. EVERSOLE, 326 North Hamlin Ave., Chicago Ill., the application being endorsed by Mr. Ambrose Brown. The President appointed as investigating committee Messrs. Faeltten, Boyle ^{and} Rowell.

Letters were read from two members unable to attend this meeting Messrs. Comstock and Malcolm Storer, the latter being on a fishing trip in Florida.

There being no further business to come before the meeting it was adjourned to permit inspection of the unusually numerous and interesting exhibits.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y

Exhibits :-

Mr. Faeltten, - two very beautiful silver didrachmas of Metapontum and Terina.

Mr. C. W. Morse - a beautiful pocket album containing a large collection of U. S. fractional currency and a particularly interesting collection of several hundred old Chinese coins of all shapes and sizes.

Mr. Amee, - French war medals as follows, - the St. Helena medal, the Mexican campaign medal of Napoleon III and the Medaille militaire; also the German "Iron Cross" 1914.

Mr. Wardner, - A U. S. silver dollar of 1795 and a U. S. cent of 1797.

Mr. Wheeler, - Roman gold L X sesterces struck during the Carthaginian wars, obverse - helmeted head of Mars, reverse - eagle on a thunderbolt

with "ROMA" underneath; a fine aureus of the Emperor Tiberius, and a bronze 40 drachmae of Cleopatra.

Mr. Boyle, - A splendid Maryland shilling 1783, an extremely fine U. S. quarter dollar 1796, a brilliant proof U. S. dollar 1836 with GOBRECHT on base, and the Confederate States token of 1860 "No submission to the North".

Mr. Davis, - Bronze plaque struck on departure of the U. S. battleship fleet around the world in 1907, U. S. lifesaving medal in bronze, ^{the} medal of the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada on the completion of the Victoria Bridge, and bronze plaque struck to commemorate the opening of the Melrose River Bridge.

Mr. Tilden, - Four very rare old Boston Store Cards.

1. Obverse - "Apollo Gardens, 576 Washington St., good for 6 cents, Hess & Speidel." Rev. - bust of Washington facing left, "The father of our country." In white metal.

2. Obverse - as previous. Reverse - "Made from copper taken from the ruins of the turpentine works, New Bern, N. C. Destroyed by the rebels March 14 1862." In copper.

3. Obverse - "J. J. & W. Beals - Haymarket Square, Boston, Clock Establishment." Rev. - "Gentlemen's Furnishing Store", in center, heraldic eagle. In copper.

4. Obverse, - bust of Merriam facing left, above "Labor omnia vincit." Rev. - "Jos. H. Merriam - the Sinker - 18 Brattle Square, Boston. Medals struck in gold, silver, copper or tin." In tin.

1931

March 18.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present - President Wardner in the chair, also Messrs. Boyle, Gifford, Stafford, C. W. Morse, J. O. Brown, Davis, and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

Application to join the Society was received from Mr. WALTER P. NICHOLS, 212 West Emerson St., Melrose Mass. This was referred for investigation to the existing committee on membership.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y

Exhibits, -

Mr. Davis, - broad silver medal, with ring, - "Three hundredth anniversary American shipping, 1607-1907." Center clipper ship sailing to left. At bottom, "Bath, Maine, August 5-10, 1907." Reverse plain.

Also uniface bronze medal with bust of Washington to right, "IOH. SMART. PICT. EFFIG. MINUT."

Mr. Stafford, - A Roman aes grave and an old silver piece of Aegina.

Mr. Wardner, - A large assortment of Confederate paper money - U. S. \$1. note, series 1869 with head of Washington; U. S. \$1. silver certificate series 1891 with head of Martha Washington; - Villa (Mexico) 1915 paper \$1., \$5., \$10., \$20. also unissued \$1. and \$2. notes Farmington Bank in N.H.

Mr. Pond, - scrip of Parker House and Young's Hotel in Boston; - U. S. \$1. note act of July 11 1862; - and a large collection of French Revolutionary paper money and assignats.

1931

April 27.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present: - Pres. Wardner in the chair, also Messrs. Storer, Boyle, Stafford, Lowenstein, Wheeler, Davis, Amee, Willey, Childs, C. W. Morse, Faeltten, Ambrose Brown, Rowell, J. O. Brown and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

A vote on the application for membership of Mr. E. M. Eversole resulted in an unfavorable ballot and he was not elected.

Mr. Walter P. Nichols, 212 West Emerson St., Melrose, Mass. was elected a member of the society.

The Secretary showed a specimen of the recently issued San Antonio, Texas bi-centennial medal in copper, this being a present to the Society from the Committee of 100 of the Bi-Centennial of San Antonio. The medal was much admired and the Secretary was requested to send the Society's thanks to the donors.

After a large exhibit of commemorative coins, listed below the rest of the evening was devoted to an auction at which Mr. Davis officiated.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y

Exhibits -

Mr. Stafford, - Tin medal of the City of New York on the opening of the Erie Canal; the John Paul Jones bronze medal of the American Committee in Paris showing (rev.) the fight between the Bon Homme Richard and the Serapis; a contemporary medal of the navigator Capt. Cook; and a silver Dutch medal on the Hogger Bank action in 1781.

Mr. Wardner, - Commemorative U. S. half dollars as follows, - Alabama, Pilgrim 1920, Bennington, and Grant, with star.

Mr. Faeltten - two interesting Byzantine gold coins one of the time of Arcadius, probably struck in Ravenna the other of Honorius likewise probably of Ravenna.

Exhibits continued over

Exhibits (cont'd) meeting April 27.

Mr. Wheeler, - Silver 10 kronen of Czechoslovakia on the decennial of the Republic; Italian 100 lire in gold on the 25th anniversary of the coronation of Victor Emmanuel III; Brunswick Lüneburg ducat of 1797 from Harz gold.

Mr. Lowenstein, - Full set of U. S. commemorative gold dollars; Panama Pacific and Philadelphia Sesqui-centennial \$2.50 gold pieces; several small Alaskan gold tokens; also U. S. \$5. note, 1st issue dated Aug. 10 1861 and a \$5. bank note of the 1st Nat^l Gold Bank of San Francisco, issue of Nov. 30, 1870 "redeemable in gold coin". Also U. S. dime 1796 and three varieties of the 1795 dollar.

Mr. Davis, - A large assortment of post war German porcelain coins; Australian "Canberra florin" 1927; and silver medal commemorating the visit in 1902 of Prince Henry of Prussia to America; obverse, busts of the Prince and Pres. Roosevelt, reverse view of steamer Kronprinz Wilhelm.

Mr. Ambrose Brown, - Two varieties of the U. S. 1799 dollar; an 1800 dollar; and the Hawaiian commemorative half dollar.

Mr. Pond, - A "Sterbthalerei" on the death, May 5 1827, of King Friedrich August of Saxony; French 5 francs, Bonaparte, le Premier Consul visite l'hôtel des monnaies le 21 Ventose an X¹; silver 30 soldi of the Cis-Alpine Republic on the conclusion of the Peace of Lunéville, an 1x (1800); Vereins thaler of Bavaria on the Treaty of Frankfurt, May 10, 1871 after the Franco-Prussian War; a "Waterloo Thaler" of George V. of Hanover on the 50th anniversary of the battle of Waterloo; Portuguese silver 1000 reis 1910 on the "Centenario da Guerra Peninsular"; Free City Bremen thaler 1863, 50th anniversary War of Liberation; German Empire 3 marks, Leipzig memorial, Centennial of same; 2 and 3 marks centennial of the call to arms of Fred. William III of Prussia March 17, 1813 commencing the War of Liberation.

BOSTON (U. S. A.) NUMISMATIC SOCIETY.

The seventieth annual meeting of the Boston Numismatic Society was held following the monthly dinner of the Society on January 19, 1931.

After the Secretary's report of the preceding meeting had been read and accepted the Treasurer presented his report for the year 1930 and showed a most satisfactory gain for the year with the result that the Society found itself in the strongest financial position it has enjoyed since the war. The Treasurer was given a vote of thanks for his efforts and was authorized to transfer \$ 100. from current account to the Society's permanent fund.

The retiring President, Captain William L. Willey, reviewed the activities of the past year during which the Society held eight dinners and meetings at which talks were given by the following members:

Dr. Malcolm Storer: — The history and coinage of Hawaii.

Mr. Frank O. Brown: — Unlisted dies and minor varieties of large United States cents from 1816 to 1857.

Mr. Charles A. Davis: — Religious medals and tokens.

Mr. Carleton S. Gifford: — Laurels of War and Peace (Orders, decorations and war medals).

Mr. Ragner L. Cederlund (of the Chicago Coin Club): — Siege and necessity coins.

Prof. Arthur S. Dewing (of Harvard University): — Coin hunting around the Mediterranean.

Mr. Horace L. Wheeler: — Pitfalls in translating Latin inscriptions on coins.

The annual election was then held, resulting in the choice of the following officers for the coming year.

President, — Mr. George W. Wardner.

Vice-president and Curator, — Mr. Charles A. Davis.

Treasurer, — Mr. Morgan H. Stafford (re-elected).

Secretary, — Mr. Shepard Pond (re-elected).

President Wardner then took the chair and spoke briefly of his plans for the coming year with especial reference to topics for discussion at future meetings and speakers he hoped to secure for them.

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May 22 1931

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.
 Present; - President Wardner in the chair, also Messrs. Storer, Nichols, Davis, Gifford, Stafford, Wheeler, C. W. Moore, Comstock, Amee, J. O. Brown & Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The President announced that he would take under consideration the appointment of delegates to the annual convention of the American Numismatic Association in Cincinnati next August.

The rest of the evening was devoted to the reading of Mr. Shepard Pond of a paper on the "Piastre Ile de France" struck in 1810 in Mauritius, then a French colony. The members present voted their thanks to Mr. Pond at the conclusion of his paper which covered the history of the island of Mauritius, its development and strategic importance, the necessity for, and acts incident to, the issuance of this coin and the capture of the island by the English.

The meeting was then adjourned. Shepard Pond Secy.

Exhibits -

Mr. Pond - Piastre Ile de France.

Mr. Wheeler - miniature of the order of the Medjidie, of Turkey.

Mr. Storer - French bronze medal "Marechal French" on the debarkation of the English troops in France in 1914; - modern uniface bronze medal "Admiral de Coligny", struck at the French mint; silvered bronze medal of Colonel Thomas Espora of the Argentine on the centenary of his birth in 1800.

Mr. Comstock - U. S. Mint large bronze medals, one of President Hoover, another of Lindbergh.

Mr. Stafford - A beautiful "Fugio Cent" and a very fine "Rosa Americana"; also large Roman bronze coins of Trajan, Nero and Domitian.

Oct 19 1931

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.
 Present, President Wardner in the chair, also Messrs. Nichols, Storer, Gifford, Davis, Boyle, Wheeler, Amee, Willey, Watson, Stafford & Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

An application for membership in the Society was received from Mr. FRED W. PRIOR, 354 Wolcott St., East Auburndale, Mass. It being duly seconded the President referred it to a committee for investigation and report.

The President announced to the Society the death of Mr. William O. Comstock on October 8th and spoke of Mr. Comstock's long interest in the Society and the offices he had held in it.

The rest of the evening was devoted to a very interesting travel talk by Mr. Gifford who during the past summer motored extensively through Ireland, England and central France.

The meeting was then adjourned. Shepard Pond, Secy.

Feb. 24, 1936

"Any member of the Society who has reached the age of seventy years and has been in good standing for ~~ten~~ years or longer shall automatically become an Honorary member."

9-28-1936

"Voted not to give out the names & addresses of our members for commercial or circulating purposes!"

WILLIAM OGILVIE COMSTOCK.

After a brief illness, William Ogilvie Comstock, of 54 Dudley street, Brookline, Mass., died on October 8. Funeral services were held on October 10 from the First Parish Church, Brookline. He is survived by two children, William O. Comstock, Jr., of Brookline, and Mrs. Wallace O. Fenn, of Rochester, N. Y., four sisters and one brother. He had been a member of the A. N. A. for many years.

Mr. Comstock was born in Boston, the son of William O. and Margaret Eliot (Lamb) Comstock. He was educated at Washington University at St. Louis, Mo., and became an expert mining engineer, and while pursuing his career he was located for some time in the West. He had been retired from active professional life for the past thirty years, and had since then devoted his time largely to historical study and research, specializing in early American history.

He belonged to a number of organizations, including Boston Chapter, S. A. R.; the Brookline Historical Society, the Connecticut Society of the Cincinnati, the Boston Engineering Society, the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, the Boston Numismatic Society, of which he at one time had been president, and the New England Society for the Preservation of Antiquities. He also belonged to the Unitarian Club and the Laymen's League of that denomination.

Writing to THE NUMISMATIST of Mr. Comstock's death, Shepard Pond, secretary of the Boston Numismatic Society, said:

While for the last year or two Mr. Comstock had not been enjoying the best of health and had not been able to attend our evening meetings with as much regularity as previously, his death came suddenly and as a great

surprise to his family and his many friends. He was a member of many historical and patriotic societies in and about Boston and was very much interested in matters of this sort, as well as in collecting coins and stamps. In numismatics he was a general collector and his considerable collection embraced specimens from many countries and ranged from Greek and Roman times to the present day. He joined the Boston Numismatic Society in 1916 and held various offices, having been vice-president and curator, 1921-1922; treasurer from 1923 to 1928, and president in 1929. His death is a real loss to the Society.

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Nov 16, 1931

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.

Present; - President Wardner in the chair, also messrs. Gifford, Storer, Faeltner, Stafford, Boyle, Wheeler, Davis, Willey, F. D. Brown, C. W. Moore, C. H. Stearns, and Pond.

640 Mr. Howard Corning of the Graduate School of Business Administration, Harvard University, was present as a guest.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

President Wardner announced the unexpected death of Mr. Joseph E. Waitt which occurred Nov 12, 1931.

Mr. FRED W. PRIOR, 354 Wolcott St., Auburndale, Mass. was elected to membership in the Society.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to a very interesting talk by Mr. Malcolm Storer on "Pirates in Numismatics," in which the warfare of European nations against the pirates and corsairs of the Mediterranean was traced from the days of the Roman Empire. A number of medals, and a large selection of illustrations of medals, were shown, pieces struck to commemorate victories over pirates or expeditions against Algiers or Tripoli.

On finishing his carefully prepared and instructive talk Mr. Storer received the thanks of all present.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y

(Exhibits on following page).

Exhibits at meeting of Nov 16, 1931.

Mr. Storer: - Medals relating to Piracy.

- 67 B.C. - Sextus Pompey for defeat of Cilician pirates.
- 1701 A.D. - Storzenbecher; decapitated at Hamburg in 1401. Reverse "Virtute Patrum".
- 1535 - Jeton on capture of Tunis.
- 1536 - Barbarossa, by Neufahrer.
- 1541 - Gloria by Leone Leoni.
- 1563 - Jeton on the relief of Oran.
- 1621 - Duquesne's action with pirates off Chios.
- 1685 - Jeton on ~~the~~ Vivonne's action against Tripoli. "Mediis Lethalis in Undis". Undescribed variety.
- 1723 - Jeton of the Chevalier d'Orleans for galleys constructed for service against Tripoli.
- 1727 - Jeton of the Mars attack on Algiers. "Quas non audent ire vias".
- 1728 - Attack on Tunis. "Junetum supple Tripolis ingens".
- Jeton on peace with Tunis. "Majoribus apta".
- 1801 - Preble's attack on Tripoli.
- 1816 - Pellew's attack on Algiers. "Algiers August 16" (two varieties).
- same subject. "Societas ad piratis delendos".
- same subject. "Reunion of the white slaves in Africa".
- 1915 - Germany. "Nach Seesaluber Sitte".

Other medals exhibited were: -

Mr. J. D. Brown - various naval medals; Ancient and Honorable Artillery Co. 250th reunion in 1888; bronze gilt medal of Columbian Exposition in 1892/3.

Mr. Davis; - several political medals and badges; large bronze medal struck in 1915 on centenary festival of the Handel & Haydn Society.

Mr. Storer; - medal presented by the city of Newport, R.I. to the officers and men of the French delegation to the celebration of the 151st anniversary of the landing of French troops in America.

Mr. Boyle: Brilliant proof Nevada dollar; shade guinea 1798 U.S. gold \$5. 1800; Australian Sovereign 1866.

Mr. Willey; - Medal of Washington Artillery for service in World war, with ribbon

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The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

The President announced the death by accident of Mr. Charles W. Morse on Nov 17th.

The resignation from the Society of Mr. L. L. Ackerman was tendered and accepted with regret.

As a committee to bring in nominations for officers to be elected at the annual meeting in January the President appointed Messrs. Gifford (chairman), Storer and Faeltgen.

Mr. Gifford then spoke at some length on a very interesting discovery he had made some time ago in connection with the East India Company's medal for the Nepal campaign of 1814 to 1816. This medal which is rated as very rare by such authorities on British Army medals as Irwin, Steward, Johnson and Mayo is in silver and is circular and 2 inches in diameter. The obverse shows hills crowned with stockades and in the foreground cannon and the colors and bayonets of the attacking force; the reverse gives carries on inscription in Persian detailing the award of the Governor-General to the native troops, the title of the Governor-General being given in its Persian equivalent.

While the dies for this medal are preserved at the Calcutta Mint where the pieces were struck no records have been discovered which would show where the dies were engraved or ~~who~~ by whom the medal was designed. One day, however, while making a rubbing of his specimen Mr. Gifford was surprised to see certain lines on the obverse, hitherto supposed to have been meaningless outlines of the breastworks or stockades, take the form of a scrawling signature "T. H. WYON". A careful study of these lines confirmed him in his conclusions that almost certainly this design

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER, 31, 1931

RECEIPTS.

1, 1931,	Balance on hand,		\$629.69
	Received to date for Annual Dues,	\$64.00	
	Application Fees,	6.00	
	Interest on Deposits:		
	Suffolk Savings Bank,	\$ 8.03	
	Provident Institution for Savings,	18.25	
		26.28	
	Total Receipts for Year,		96.28
			\$725.97

EXPENDITURES.

5, 1931,	Cash book,	\$ 1.70	
21, "	13 Dinners, @ \$1.25,	16.25	
17, "	Annual Dues, American Numismatic Assoc'n.,	3.00	
27, "	Postage stamps,	1.00	
27, "	Mimeographing letters,	1.50	
27, "	Postage stamps used by President,	.74	
	Total Expenditures,		24.19
31, 1931,	Balances on Hand:		
	Suffolk Savings Bank,	\$137.55	
	Provident Institution for Savings,	557.02	
	Currency,	7.21	
	Total cash on hand,		701.78
			\$725.97

In accordance with the resolution passed at the Annual Meeting held January 19, 1931, the sum of \$100.00 was transferred during the year from the Current Funds account in the Suffolk Savings Bank, Boston, to the Permanent Fund in the Provident Institution for Savings, Boston.

During the year 1931 one member returned his bill for dues with the explanation that because of financial conditions he found it inconvenient to pay and asked that his name be dropped from the membership list. Two other members owe for one year and one for two years.

Respectfully submitted,

Morgan H. Stafford

Treasurer.

The above record has been examined and found correct:

George W. Wardner

Auditor

Feb. 29, 1932

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Jan 25 Annual Meeting.

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The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

The Treasurer's report for the year 1931 was read and accepted.

It was voted that, in view of the prevailing hard times, the President, Treasurer and Secretary were authorized to remit during 1932 to remit any unpaid back dues of any member desirous of resigning from the society if the collection of such dues might in their judgment result in undue hardship on such member.

MR. RICHARD BLANEY, 82 Mt. Vernon St., Boston was proposed for membership. The President appointed a committee, Messrs. Willey (chairman), Wheeler and Ainee to investigate and report on the nomination.

The committee on nominations for officers for the coming year reported by letter from its chairman, Mr. Gifford that it recommended continuing the present officers for a year. There being no other nominations the Secretary was instructed by vote of those present to cast a single ballot to this purpose. He did so and the following officers were elected for 1932.

President -

Vice-president & Curator

Treasurer

Secretary

Mr. George W. Wardner

Mr. Charles A. Davis

Mr. Morgan H. Stafford

Mr. Shepard Pond

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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Exhibits on following page.

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might be attributed to either Thomas Wyon (the elder) who lived 1767 to 1830 or Thomas Wyon (the younger) who lived 1792 to 1817 both of whom were intimately associated with the London Mint at this period.

While, ~~so~~ lacking conclusive records as to the actual designer of this medal, it may be proper to withhold a final decision, Mr. Gifford's discovery is certainly of great interest and furnishes ample ground to attribute the design to one of the Thomas Wyons until, if ever, further evidence may be found. A considerable correspondence on the subject with English and Indian authorities only tends to strengthen this belief.

The thanks of those present were tendered to Mr. Gifford who was complimented on his discovery and research.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y
Exhibits - Mr. Gifford; - the medal mentioned above, also breaststar, Grand Cross (Civil) of the Guelphic Order of Hanover. Initials scratched on the back of this star indicate that it was the property of Sir William Knighton who in 1809 went to Spain as the physician of Marguerite Wellesley (elder brother of the Duke of Wellington) and who later became physician to the Prince Regent and still later the latter's private secretary and privy purse when the prince became George IV.

Mr. Storer: - A dozen Meissen porcelain medals relating principally to Count von Tuckner or submarines.

Mr. Prior: - A Gorham "Bryan dollar".

Mr. F. O. Brown: - Washington bi-centennial medal in bronze, obverse showing the Houdin bust of Washington facing right, the reverse showing Washington's birthplace.

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Exhibits at meeting Jan 25, 1932.

Mr. Davis, - Large silver medal of the engagement of the "Wasp" and the "Reindeer" in the war of 1812 with U. S. Navy Department letter of presentation dated May 20, 1823 to the mother of Lieutenant James Reill killed in action.

Harvard College Porcellian Club silver medal.

American Institute (N. Y.) large bronze medal awarded William A. Harris "for a Steam Engine (Locos)" 1869.

Mr. Nichols, - U. S. half dollar 1812.

Mr. Ambrose Brown, - Interesting old bank notes all \$1. - denomination of the following Boston Banks, - State National Bank, National Shawmut Bank, National Revere Bank, National Eagle Bank, Hide & Leather National Bank, Boylston National Bank, Mt. Vernon National Bank, Columbian National Bank.

Mr. Lowenstam, - The following Russian coins, - 5 Kopeks (for Siberia) 1766 of Catherine; - variety of same, 1779; large 5 Kopeks 1789 of Catherine; 10 Kopeks 1762 of Peter III; and pattern 1 Kopek 2 Kopeks, 5 Kopeks and 10 Kopeks, all 1830 of Nicholas I. Also large bronze medal of the cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul in Philadelphia.

Febr. 29, 1932

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bust of Washington on obverse; token half penny, 1793, with obverse, bust of Washington, reverse, ship under sail; also a number of Washington cents.

Mr. Storer, - a charming ivory plaque of Washington showing his bust facing, in high relief, size about $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches by $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches, oval, enclosed in a delicate silver laurel wreath. This is believed to date from the early part of the last century. He also showed the very rare Eccleston Washington medal and the Manly Washington medal, the latter in brass and excessively rare in this metal; also two large satirical German silver medals dedicated respectively to Winston Churchill and Arthur Balfour.

March 28, 1932.

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The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

The resignations of Mr. William Sumner Appleton and Mr. Carleton H. Morse were accepted.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to the reading by Mr. Wheeler of a most interesting paper* on George Washington. Prepared with great care and research, embellished with many quotations from Washington's sayings and writings as well as from later historians, a model of scholarly composition, this paper stood out as preeminently the finest read to the Society for many years. At Mr. Wheeler's conclusion all present rose to their feet voluntarily as a tribute to his splendid work. The formal vote of thanks that followed expressed but inadequately the appreciation of the members who had enjoyed the privilege of listening to Mr. Wheeler.

The meeting was then adjourned. *Shepard Pond Secy.*

Exhibits - Mr. Storer, - bronze medal Washington crossing the Delaware (by Mayer); bronze medal Japanese naval review Oct 1931; French bronze medal on sinking of the Lusitania and America's entry in the War; interesting souvenir of sinking of the "Emden", a Mexican dollar with scroll attached at top and reading: - "H.M.A.S. SYDNEY-S.M.S. EMDEN, NOV. 9 1914".

Mr. Davis, - bronze coronation medal of King George V and Queen Mary, joined busts facing left; also large bronze medal of American Numismatic Society for the Hudson-Fulton celebration in New York.

Mr. Willey, - the Virginia Circinnati medal for the recent celebration at Yorktown.

* "Washington, the Memorable."

April 25, 1932

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.
Present - Vice-president Davis in the chair; also Messrs. Faeltén, Nichols, J. O. Brown, Wheeler, Prior, Blaney, Stafford, Gifford, Pond, and, as guest, Mr. Percy H. Hamilton.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.
Mr. PERLEY P. HAMILTON, 88 Arch. St., Boston was elected to membership.

The Secretary distributed 1932 Club Bulletins nos I, II, and III from the American Numismatic Association Library. Much interest was shown by those present in this series of "Questions and Answers" and it is hoped that they may be continued successfully.

Mr. Wheeler showed, and read excerpts from, a new book "Towards a Reform of the Paper Currency" by W. A. Dwiggins, published in 1932 by the Limited Editions Club of N.Y.

The meeting was then adjourned. Shepard Pond, Secy.

Exhibits - Mr. Nichols - Very interesting old leatherworkers embossing tool with three wheels made from old coins, ① U. S. Cent 1828, ② do 1839, ③ penny piece of Sierra Leone.

Mr. Stafford - 25¢ and 50¢ "wooden money" of Trustees of the Chamber of Commerce of Tenino, Washington - "payable from dividends assigned to it from the Citizens Bank of Tenino; issues of Feb and March 1932.

Mr. J. O. Brown - rare red gutta percha store card "Shore Line, Boston to New York", another in black "Phila. City Pass. R.W." Also shell store card "Crane and Oyden of Chicago" another political "Grant and Colfax"; small shell, double faced with picture of Mr. Clellan in each side.

Mr. Davis - bronze medal on 150th ann of birth of Daniel Webster, commercial bronze medals of Washington, same obverse but different reverses; silver medal on the Eckener's Zeppelin flight to America in 1924;

Mr. Blaney - 1803 U.S. silver dollar counterstamped "R.B." and a Haitian silver 1 Gourde, 1881 hollowed to use as a locket

May 23, 1932.

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club.
Present - President Wardner, in the chair; also Messrs. Storer, Tilden, Prior Hamilton, J. O. Brown, Wheeler, Davis, Nichols, Stafford, and Pond. Mr. Roland R. Moxley of Fitchburg attended as a guest.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

There being no business to come before the meeting, ^{it was then adjourned and} the time remaining after dinner was devoted to examining the exhibits which proved to be unusually interesting.
Shepard Pond, Secy.

Exhibits :- Mr. Tilden showed a splendid collection of some 200 hard times tokens, almost all in superb condition. Outstanding rarities, listed according to Low, were, - no. 4 in copper; no. 11 with original silvering; no. 17, red uncirculated; nos. 24, 26, 27, 41, 42, 43; no. 61, red uncirculated; no. 85 excessively rare; no. 96, very rare and in splendid condition; no. 106 in silver; no. 108 uncirculated; no. 119 proof; no. 121 in brass; no. 139 very rare; nos. 146, 147, 158 and 160; no. 168, in copper, excessively rare and perhaps unique; nos. 175, 176 both uncirculated; and a mille with the obverse of no. 115 and reverse of no. 68, a piece which is believed to be unique.

Mr. Nichols showed a penny of George III of England converted into a box; the 1903 "London coin" medal of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company; and a "long service" medal of the same organization.

Mr. Hamilton showed the Harvard Lampoon bronze medal.
Mr. Davis showed a large U. S. cent counterstamped with head of General U. S. Grant; also a Peruvian 1 sol in silver dated 1885 counterstamped for use as 1/2 real in Guatemala.

Mr. Storer showed an undescrbed plaque of Washington with head to left and legend "GEORGE WASHINGTON" made in Berlin in 1932; another in

iron, cast in Berlin about 1820; large iron medal of Weddigen of the submarine V 19; another Weddigen medal showing a nude man descending into the sea; several Meissen porcelain medals of Erhardt, some with name misspelled Ehrhardt; a set of four porcelain medals of the Wirkung-Bund; a testimonial medal to Captains Crichton Low and Stouffer from Philadelphia for saving passengers of the S.S. San Francisco; the Edith Cavell memorial medal; a Lindburgh "New York to Paris" medal; a medal by Ellis in 1850 of Isaac T. Stopper, the Abolitionist; and a Brazilian medal 1890 to Admiral Walker for recognition of the Brazilian flag.

Mr. Stafford showed four U. S. \$5- gold pieces, 1798, 1809, 1813 and 1836 all in very beautiful condition.

Sept 26 1932.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present, Vice-President Davis in the chair, also Messrs. Faetten, Hamilton, Stafford, Blaney, Childs, Willey, Wheeler, Storer and Pond. Mr. Newell A. Hoyt of Boston was present as guest.

The secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

A new medal, presented to the Society during the summer, was shown. This gift, a beautiful three inch bronze medal, the Official George Washington Bicentennial Commemorative Medal, struck for the United States Government by the United States Mint at Philadelphia was given to the Society by the United States Commission for the celebration of the two hundredth Anniversary of the birth of George Washington through the courtesy of Hon. Sol Bloom, associate director of the Commission. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. Shepard Pond, Secy.

Exhibits -

Mr. Blaney, - Spanish 2 reales piece 1718 punched with small heart for Martinique (Wood 93); Chichuahua Mexico cast peso 1813 stamped with a T and a flower; Mexican revolutionary 8 reales 1821 stamped MVA 1812 and LVS in a rectangle of stars; and a Chichuahua peso 1816 stamped with a T and a flower.

Mr. Davis, - engraved silver medal of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Co., Oct. 4, 1852, "for the best shot"; 1876 "Nevada dollar" in silver; a membership medal of the American Numismatic & Antiquarian Society of New York "Jeremiah Colburn, Boston, elected honorary member, Dec. 23, 1867." (Note, - at that time Mr. Colburn was president of the Boston Numismatic Society).

Mr. Willey, - the 1854 Franklin silver medal for Boston Schools;

Mr. Wheeler, - the United States military decoration, the Purple Heart Medal, - "for military merit"; OVER

1/2 ruble gold of Elizabeth of Russia 1756; and the new Soviet 5, 10 and 15 Kopeks pieces.

Mr. Storer, - Netherlands, 1678 jeton of the Intendants of Canal, Brussels, by Van der Noot; Russia, 1819 medal for voyages of Vostok and Mirny; 1899 State of California medal for services in the Spanish-American war; Austria, large plaque with busts of Tegetthoff and Don Juan of Austria commemorating the battles of Lissa and Lepanto; France, medal of Admiral Jougoueres; States of the Church, medal of Pirovani; Germany, medal of Field Marshal von der Goltz for the Hardschelles and another of Admiral Scherer for Jutland; Great Britain, medal of Admiral Rodney "Rodney forever" with bust to right; engraved medal of Chauncey Hall School, Boston, 1865 and engraved silver medal of Boston College, 1870.

Mr. Pond, - bronze medal of the sculptor Canova; silver medal Louis XIV (as boy) and Anne of Austria reverse showing the Sun God in his chariot rising over the world.

Oct 24 1932

The society met at the City Club at 8³⁰ P.M., the President in the chair.

Present - Messrs Gardner, Paulsen Stafford Sifford Wheeler Blaney Willey F.O. Brown, Nichols & Storer, & Mr.

Moran as guest of Mr Nichols.

Dr. Storer was appointed secretary pro tem, Mr Pond being ill.

The records of the last meeting were read & accepted.

Mr Roland R Moxley of Fitchburg was proposed for membership by Mr F.O. Brown. His name was referred to a committee appointed by the chair - consisting of Messrs. Blaney

Stafford & Paulsen

Mr Nichols read an interesting & highly instructive paper on U.S. Paper Money since 1861, illustrated by his large & valuable collection. Mr Nichols traced the history of the many issues & varieties paying particular attention to the National Bank issues & the Federal Reserve notes. The President expressed the cordial thanks of the Society to Mr Nichols for his paper.

There being no other business the Society adjourned.

Malcolm Storer Sec pro tem.

Exhibits.

Mr Blaney. Costa Rica: Spanish 8 reales, 4 edges clipped & center stamped small sun & mountains.

Dominica, center plug for 4 reales with 16 crests.

St Kitts Mexican 8 reales with round hole of 15 mm.

England Mexican 8 reales 1792 with large bust of George III.

" Russian 8 " " small " "

" Spain 4 reales " " " "

Mr Sifford. Cross du Cuir battant
Japan Victory medal
Peace " "

Franklin School Medal of 1822.

Mr Stafford. Jackson Peace Medal in silver
British Mercantile Marine medal

The Attilla - Aquileia medal

The McClellan - Little Monica medal

The wire card of Wright; Howard Gunn.

Mr Brown.

Nov, 28 1932

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Present, President Wardner in the chair, also Mr. Storer, Prof. Dewing and Messrs. Nichols, Gifford, Stafford, Davis, Willey, Prior, Hamilton, Ambrose Brown, Wheeler and as guests Prof. N. S. B. Gras of the Graduate School of Business Administration, Harvard University, Mr. George H. Bill of Whitman and Mr. J. J. Verbonne of Brockton.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

Following a favorable report from the election committee appointed at the last meeting MR. ROLAND R. MOXLEY of Fitchburg, Mass. was elected to membership.

There being no further business to come before the meeting the rest of the evening was devoted to a talk by Mr. Shepard Pond on the 20 francs piece of Louis XVIII dated 1815 and struck at the Royal Mint, London.

Starting with the upsets caused by the French Revolution, the flight of the Bourbons and the new monetary standard of the Franc, Mr. Pond sketched the events leading to the downfall of Napoleon and the first Restoration of Louis XVIII, exhibiting various 20 francs gold pieces of the Consulate, the Empire and the first Restoration. He then told of the period known as the "Hundred Days" during which Napoleon returned to temporary power while Louis XVIII was a refugee in Ghent and showed the a 20 francs piece struck in Paris by Napoleon in 1815 and closed his talk by relating the conditions which led the impoverished Refugee at Ghent to consent to the British Government striking for its own account and use the famous Louis d'or dated 1815 and bearing the head of Louis XVIII. Mr. Pond also showed this piece which differs from the regular French issue of that year in several ways, notably by the mint marks R and a fleur de lis.

After a vote of thanks to Mr. Pond for his talk the meeting adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Secy.

Dec 28 1932

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The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The president announced donations to the Society of a "Mill Coin" from Mr. W. F. Dunham of Chicago, of a "Pebecco" token by Mr. Nichols and of a Suburban Stamp and Curio Club exhibitor's ribbon by Mr. Davis. These have been added to the Society's collection.

As the next meeting is to be the annual meeting the president appointed a committee consisting of Mr. Gifford chairman and Messrs. Jaetten and Nichols to bring in nominations for officers for the ensuing year.

The rest of the evening was devoted to the reading by Mr. H. L. Wheeler of an extremely interesting paper to entitled "When Artists made Money." The paper was an account of the series of United States silver certificates issued in 1896, and in it the conjecture was made that the origin of these might be found in the undertaking by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing of the preparation of the diploma of award of the World's Columbian Exposition of 1893. The credit for seeing a good opportunity to improve the artistic quality of paper money was given by Mr. Wheeler to Claude M. Johnson, then Chief of the Bureau who in his report of 1894 said, "I have received aid from some of the most talented artists in the country in preparing a new design of silver certificates."

The series consisted of notes of three denominations - one dollar, two and five dollars (a ten dollar denomination was designed but not issued). The dollar note was the work of the designer of the Exposition diploma, Will Hickok Low (1853-1932), and represented History instructing youth. The two dollar note

represented Science presenting Steam and Electricity to Commerce and manufacture, and was by Edwin Howland Blashfield (1848 -); and the five dollar representing Electricity, the dominant Force of the World, was by Walter Shirlaw (1838 - 1909). A biographical account of the artists was given, together with contemporary comment on their designs which were of high artistic excellence. The series had no precedent and has had no repetition.

An interesting part of Mr. Wheeler's paper dealt with the spelling of the word "tranquility," in the portion of Mr. Low's design which showed an open book with the first paragraphs of the United States Constitution. The spelling was thought to be an error at the time, but the word, though without dictionary authority, is spelled with a single l in the manuscript copy of the Constitution in the Department of State and in early printed copies of the document; and is so printed today in standard works on the Constitution. The framers of the Constitution, and not the artist, must bear responsibility for the spelling.

Another matter of interest brought out by Mr. Wheeler towards the conclusion of his paper was an account of how the famous sculptor Saint-Gaudens designed for the Columbian Exposition a medal which so shocked the Quadro-Centennial Committee of the Senate that the medal as actually awarded was only on one side due to Saint-Gaudens.

At the termination of his reading Mr. Wheeler received the thanks of all present.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond
Secretary.

Exhibits at Meeting of Dec. 28, 1932.

Mr. Wheeler, - The three United States silver certificates described in his paper.

Mr. Davis, - Two 1863 "cents" of Merriam, the die-sinker; large oval bronze medal with bust facing left of "Rutherford B. Hayes President of the United States"; medal of the G. A. R. Boston encampment in 1890.

Mr. J. O. Brown, - 80 Masonic pennies in various metals.

Mr. Hamilton, - A double faced U. S. cent of 1795; a miniature tea Kettle made from a U. S. cent by inmates of the State Prison in Charlestown (Mass); U. S. \$1. greenback, issue of 1862.

Jan. 30 1933. Annual Meeting.

The Society met at the Boston City Club for dinner preceding the Annual Meeting. At the meeting President Wardner was in the chair; others attending were Messrs. Howland Wood, Gifford, Nichols, Hamilton, Stafford, Prior, Lowenstam, Faalten, Davis, F. D. Brown, Wheeler, Moxley, Willey, Tilden, Amee ^{and} Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The Treasurer presented his annual report, which having been audited by the President and read aloud to the meeting, was unanimously accepted. It showed a very satisfactory gain for the year.

A resignation of membership in the Society was received from Mr. John H. Storer and accepted with the regrets of all present.

Mr. Gifford as chairman of the committee to bring nominations for officers for the coming year reported the committee's recommendation that the present office be continued for 1933. By vote of the meeting the Secretary was instructed to cast a single ballot for this purpose and the following were elected, -

Mr. George W. Wardner	- President
Mr. Charles A. Davis	- Vice-President ^{and} Curator
Mr. Morgan H. Stafford	- Treasurer
Mr. Shepard Pond	- Secretary

President Wardner then spoke briefly on the Society's activities during the past year and expressed his hope that 1933 might prove to be equally interesting and full of accomplishment.

There being no further business the remainder of evening was devoted to a talk by Mr. Howland Wood on the Japanese Kwan Ei Sen. Mr. Wood showed 48 particularly choice examples of these coins which were cast with the same inscription from 1626 to 1860, period of 234 years. Explanation was made as to the method of casting; - the original coin being cut by hand.

March 27 1933

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Wardner was in the chair, other members present being Messrs. Blaney, Nichols, Gifford, Hamilton, Stafford, Davis, Moxley, Wheeler, Prior, Ambrose Brown, Amee, Willey ^{and} Pond. There ^{were} also present, as guests, - Messrs. John S. Barrowes of the Boston Transcript; Ralph W. Howard of the faculty of the Fitchburg (Mass.) High School; Louis Felix Ranlett of the Boston Public Library; Howard Corning, secretary of the Essex Institute, Salem (Mass.); ^{and} Bernard L. Paine of Braintree Mass.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The President then turned the meeting over to Mr. Carleton S. Gifford who read a very carefully prepared and interesting paper on "Medals of the United States Navy and Marine Corps."

Mr. Gifford told how in his long experience of collecting war medals and decorations he had always desired to have and finally succeeding in procuring an officially issued specimen set of these medals of the Navy and Marine Corps, some of which it is almost impossible to secure through channels ordinarily open to collectors. It would appear that to date Mr. Gifford is the only civilian allowed to have these by authority of the Navy Department although specimen issues to historical, military and numismatic societies are not uncommon. In this connection it is interesting to note that the Navy Department required each Navy medal to be engraved at source "For exhibition purposes only" while the Marine Corps required the word "Specimen" to appear on all medals under its control.

Mr. Gifford spoke at length of the Medal of Honor, telling of its origin and early history in Civil War days, how the rules of award were gradually evolved and the changes in design of the medal up to the present time.

He then took up the Distinguished Service Medal,

the Navy Cross and the Distinguished Flying Cross all of which are intimately linked with special services rendered the country during the Great War. A curious point arises, Mr. Gifford pointed out, in the spelling of the word valor which on the Navy Medal of Honor is spelled VALOR in contrast to the spelling VALOR on the Army medal of Honor.

Mr. Gifford then spoke briefly of the events leading to the issue of the various Navy and Marine Corps campaign medals and finally outlined the conditions surrounding the issuance of the Victory medal of the United States.

At the close of his talk Mr. Gifford exhibited the following, -

Navy medals: - Medal of Honor (old style)
Medal of Honor (new style)
Navy Cross
Distinguished Service Medal
Distinguished Flying Cross
Civil War Medal
Dewey Medal
Sampson Medal
China Medal
Philippine Campaign Medal
Cuban Pacification Medal
Yangtze Service Medal
Nicaraguan Campaign Medal
Second Nicaraguan Campaign Medal
Mexican Campaign Medal
Haitian Campaign Medal, 1915
Haitian Campaign Medal, 1919-1920
Dominican Campaign Medal
Good Conduct Medal.

Mr. Gifford was disappointed in not having been able to show the Navy Distinguished Service Medal, the Spanish Campaign Medal and the Specially Meritorious Service Medal as these specimens

had not then been received by him.

He also exhibited the following Marine Corps medals which are all the issues of that Service: -

Civil War Campaign Medal
Spanish Campaign Medal
Philippine Campaign Medal
China Campaign Medal
Cuban Pacification Medal
Nicaraguan Campaign Medal (1912)
Mexican Service Medal
Haitian Campaign Medal (1915)
Haitian Campaign BAR (1919-1920)
Dominican Campaign Medal
Victory Medal
Second Nicaraguan Campaign Medal
Yangtze Service Medal
Expeditionary Medal
Good Conduct Medal.

At the conclusion of Mr. Gifford's talk all present expressed their great appreciation and a vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Gifford for the time and thought he had devoted to the preparation of his paper.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Secretary.

In addition to Mr. Gifford's display there were the following exhibits, -

Mr. Prior, - Denver Colorado silver token of
Pedley - Ryan and Co. stamped, "1933-SILVER -
430 GRAINS"; also "Republic of Cuba" scrip
50 centavos 1869.

Mr. Willey - oval bronze medal of the Society of
the Governor and Freemen of Massachusetts
Bay Colony in New England.

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Mr. Moxley, - Plymouth Cordage Co. \$1. - "Pay roll scrip" dated March 8 1933; also Costa Rica, 2 colons (gold) 1900.

Mr. Blaney, - A "Spanish" dollar very heavily "chopped", also the following Spanish necessity pieces -
 1808, Ferdinand VII, 30 s., octagonal, of Palma.
 1808, do, un duro, of Girona.
 1808, do, 30 s. of Majorca.
 1808, do, duro of Barcelona.
 1821, do, 30 s. of Majorca.

Mr. Stafford - old thaler of ^{Judgick} John George of Saxony; uncirculated Tirolean thaler 1654 of Ferdinand of Austria; 1605 thaler of the Emperor Rudolf II; and a 1657 thaler of Christian Louis of Brunswick.

Mr. Davis - rare U. S. fractional currency; - 15¢ Grant and Sherman; 50¢ blue end; and 50¢ Lincoln; and silver medal of Royal Naval Training Ship, "as a reward of merit."

April 24 1933.

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Wardner was in the chair, the others present being
 654 Messrs. Stafford, Storrs, Blaney, Prior, Hamilton, Moxley, F. O. Brown, Davis, Nichole, Wheeler ^{and} Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The committee appointed by the President at the meeting of Feb 27th to investigate the application for membership of Mr. KENNETH M. BARNEY, 29 THETFORD AVE., Dorchester, Mass. having made a favorable report, Mr. Barney was duly elected to membership.

Mr. RALPH W. HOWARD of Fitchburg, Mass. who attended the last meeting as a guest was nominated for membership. In accordance with custom the President appointed Messrs. Stafford, Blaney and Nichole to a committee to pass on this candidate.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.
 Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits - Mr. Nichols, -

Set of 4 "Colorado Silver" coins "A Century of Progress" and set of 3 silver pieces "Pedley-Ryan and Co."; also a U.S. cent of 1802 struck on imperfect planchet.

Mr. Blaney, - 30 tari silver crown of Malta 1790; and 120 grani of Ferdinand IV of Sicily, 1795.

Mr. Hamilton, - U. S. half cents, 1808 over 7, 1828, 29, 32 & 34.

Mr. Davis, - An interesting assortment of English municipal tramway tokens; silver 4 sueldos of Bolivia, 1830 with unidentified counterstamp of a blurred emblem enclosed in a circle of stars; and three scholarship medals of the City of Boston, - the Franklin medal for 1860 and the City medal for 1855 and 1859.

BOSTON (U.S.A.) NUMISMATIC SOCIETY.

The 72nd annual meeting of the Boston Numismatic Society was held following the Society's monthly dinner on January 30, 1933.

After the Secretary's report of the December meeting had been read and accepted, the Treasurer presented his report for the year 1932, showing a substantial increase in balances on hand over each of the preceding years. This brought an expression of satisfaction from those present and the Treasurer was congratulated on his successful conduct of the Society's finances.

The annual election was then held and all officers were returned for the coming year as follows:

Mr. George W. Wardner, President; Mr. Charles A. Davis, Vice-President and Curator; Mr. Morgan H. Stafford, Treasurer; Mr. Shepard Pond, Secretary.

President Wardner reviewed the Society's activities during the two years of his administration in which time talks were given by the following members:

Mr. Shepard Pond: The Piastre Decaen. — Mr. C. S. Gifford: Coin Hunting in Ireland. — Dr. Malcolm Storer: Pirates in Numismatics. — Mr. H. L. Wheeler: Washington the Memorable. — Mr. G. L. Tilden: United States Hard Times Tokens. — Mr. Shepard Pond: The 1815 Twenty Francs Piece of Louis XVIII struck at the London Mint. — Mr. W. P. Nichols: United States Paper Money since 1861. — Mr. H. L. Wheeler: When Artists made Money. — Mr. C. S. Gifford: The East India Company's Medal for the Nepal Campaign, 1814 to 1816.

The bi-centenary of the birth of George Washington was observed by a very impressive exhibition at the meeting on February 29, 1932 of several hundred medals relating to Washington.

The Society continues in a very healthy condition, several new members having been admitted recently and seems to be well holding its position as the third oldest numismatic society in the United States.

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Exhibits of May 22 1933 (continued)

Mr. Prior - Hitherto unedited token of Mass. Bay Tercentenary - holed bronze gilt token, 19 millimeters diameter, obverse - "Massachusetts Bay Tercentenary, 1630 - 1930" with ship sailing to right; reverse, the Lord's Prayer within a laurel wreath.

Mr. Nichols - #1. - and #2. - scrip City of Detroit Michigan

Mr. Wheeler - 1 mil of Palestine, tri-lingual inscription in English,

Turkish and Arabic Hebrew.

Mr. Storer - #1. - scrip, M. J. Whittall Associates Ltd of Worcester Mass dated March 10 1933.

May 22 1933

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. In the absence of President Wardner Vice-President Davis presided. Others present were Messrs. Blaney, Storer, Barney, Hamilton, Prior, Wheeler, Stafford, F. O. Brown, Tilden, Nichols and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

A favorable report having been received from the committee on membership, Mr. RALPH W. HOWARD of Fitchburg, Mass. was elected to membership in the Society.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned and the rest of the evening was devoted to a general discussion of numismatics and to examining the various exhibits.

Shepard Pond, Secy.

Exhibits -

Mr. Davis - rare pewter medal, obverse, "Abraham Lincoln" with bust facing right; reverse, "Presented by Citizens of Perth Amboy N.J. to Thomas Peterson the first colored voter in the U. S. under the provisions of the 15th amendment at an election held in that city March 31st 1870." Also an old badge of the League of American Wheelmen, a large engraved silver masonic chapter piece, and a red enamel and gilt badge "Bulawayo Turf Club 1897-1898" with head of Queen Victoria.

Mr. Blaney - copper penny, "Jamaica Currency, Payable in Kingston by William Smith"; reverse, arms of Jamaica. Also a token, "M. Howard, Ferrygrass" picture of a coach, reverse, a groom with horse, "Kingston, Jamaica." Also small token, "Moses Tolanto, Barbadoes" center, a bale of cotton; reverse, "Freedom without Slavery", a cask. Also three Barbadoes pennies and one half penny all in extremely fine condition.

Mr. Stafford - Byzantine aureus of Theophilus. (cont'd opposite) Mr. F. O. Brown - Decoration of the Purple Heart.

Sept 29, 1933

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. In the absence of President Wardner, Vice-president Davis presided; others present were Messrs. Storer, Stafford, Hamilton, Prior, Wheeler, Gifford, Willey and Pond.

After the dinner the meeting was called to order and the Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

Several members told of their activities in collecting during the summer and plans suggested for a number of papers to be read at meetings during the coming year. Mr. Gifford reminded those present that 1935 would mark the 75th year of the Society's existence and that it would be desirable to commemorate that occurrence in some special way.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Secretary.

Exhibits -

Mr. Davis, - Pewter medal on Jenny Lind's first concert in the United States; "wooden nickel" of the Century of Progress Exposition in Chicago and small sized bronze medal of that Exposition.

Mr. Wheeler, - Medal (with ribbon) of the Aztec Club, U. S. army occupation of Mexico City; badge with ribbon and clasp of National Society of the Colonial Dames of America; British army "Waterloo" medal and silver medal of the marriage of Napoleon I with Marie Louise of Austria.

Mr. Hamilton, - Miniature silver bar from Virginia City, Nevada and 1933 "wooden 25¢ piece" of Bremerton Post 149 American Legion of Bremerton, Washington.

Mr. Stafford, - Rupee of Akbar, 1562; rupee of Shah Jahanabad of early 18th century and a seventh century Sassanian coin.

Oct. 30, 1933.

657 The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Wardner was in the chair and others present were Messrs. Blaney, Gifford, Nichols, Barney, Prior, Davis, F. O. Brown, Stafford, Wheeler, Hamilton, Childs and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The President announced that this day was the seventy fifth anniversary of the birth of Mr. Horace L. Wheeler who for many years has been one of our leading and most respected members. Elected to membership in 1907 at a time when the Society's membership had dwindled to nearly the point of extinction Mr. Wheeler ~~played~~ ^{played} a prominent role in the renaissance and up building of the organization in addition to which his erudition and broad numismatic experience has done much towards maintaining the high standards of the founders of the Boston Numismatic Society.

The President reminded those present that Mr. Wheeler was the only member to have held, at one time or another, all the offices at the disposal of the society, namely Secretary, Treasurer, Vice-President and Curator and President.

All present then rose to express to Mr. Wheeler their congratulations upon his anniversary their wishes for many more to follow and their appreciation of his years of service to the society.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Secy.

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Exhibits at meeting of Oct. 30, 1933.

Mr. Stafford, - a series four pieces of scrip, 3^d, 6^d, 9^d, 12^d of the Scioto Trading Co. ("Compagnie de Scioto") issued presumably about 1788, the year in which the company was organized.

Mr. Nichols, - an interesting old weighing device for testing weights of U. S. gold and silver coins.
A small silver ingot from the U. S. mint at San Francisco, 999.75 fine, 6.01 ounces.

Specimen bank notes \$1, \$2, \$3, \$5 of the old Searsport Bank, Searsport, Maine.

Uncut sheet of U. S. 10^c postal currency.

Uncut sheet of four U. S. \$1.- silver certificates.

Uncut sheet of four \$5.- national bank notes series of 1882 of the Winthrop National Bank, Boston, Mass.

Mr. Davis, - Penny celluloid transportation token of the London City Council.

Masonic silver chapter penny of Pythagoras Chapter No. 17, Hartford, Conn. and another of McKinley Chapter No. 18, Cleveland, Ohio.

Bronze medal of the Brazilian centenary of independence, 1922.

Mr. Wheeler, - Italian 10 centesimi, 1927.

Bronze medal given by the State of Massachusetts to the first volunteers from Massachusetts during the Civil War, with clasp reading "Massachusetts Minute Men, 1861."

Mr. Blaney, - Spanish dollar of Philip III struck in 1622.

Spanish copper piece of Ferdinand and Isabella.

English penny of George III, 1806, counterstamped "J. P."

Largest size Century of Progress Exhibition medal in bronze.

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Wardner being unavoidably absent, Vice-president Davis occupied the chair. Others present were Mr. Storer, Messrs. Blaney, Gifford, Hamilton, Prior, Wheeler, Barney, Stafford, F. O. Brown, Willey, and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The presiding officer announced the receipt of the following publications of Mr. Wayne Raymond the New York Numismatist - "Standard Catalogue of Early American Coins", "The United States Coinage of 1793, Cents and Half Cents", "United States Gold Coins of the Philadelphia and Branch Mints", and "Silver Coins of the United States Mints". A vote of thanks was passed and the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge the gift to Mr. Raymond.

Mr. Gifford supplemented his remarks made at the meeting of Sept. 29th regarding the coming 75th anniversary of the Society and the possible publication of some sort of book on coin collection to mark the event. The subject was discussed again but without any action being taken.

Mr. Wheeler spoke of the posture of the Indian on the seal of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and how in present day representations of the seal the Indian holds his bow in his right hand where as earlier representations at the time of the Civil War and previously show the bow in the left. Also the Massachusetts Tercentenary two cents postage stamp portrays the Indian with bow in left hand while the old Massachusetts 1788 copper cent had the bow in the right hand. No satisfactory explanation for these differences seemed to be forthcoming.

The meeting was then adjourned. Shepard Pond Secy

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Exhibits at meeting of Nov. 27 1933.

Mr. Storer - Franklin medal issued by the Congress of the U. S. on anniversary of Franklin's birth; - the inauguration medal of President Harding.

Mr. Gifford - brass (counterfeit?) U. S. 1803
#5 gold piece with KETTLE to right of date (note, - see Forrobert catalogue for description of a brass #2 1/2 piece of same type).

Mr. Barney - the now famous Huey Long medal, denarius of Antoninus Pius; and three small bronze of Licinius, Constantine II and Crispina.

Mr. Davis - white silk badge with picture of Franklin, keystone shaped bronze medal "Washington Warmer House, Sulgrave, England", reverse, "Reproduced by National Society of the Colonial Dames of America to commemorate Americas 150 years as a nation, Philadelphia, 1776 - 1926."

Mr. Willey, - large bronze medal, obverse, "Governor Isaac Shelby" bust in uniform facing right, reverse, "Battle of the Thames, Oct. 5 1813" spirited battle scene. "Resolution of Congress, April 4 1818" in exergue.

Mr. Blaney, - copper counterfeit of a Peruvian cob; 8 reales piece of Ferdinand VII of Spain, 1815 from Seville mint and another same date, Madrid mint.

Mr. Stafford, - large bronze medal on the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill, obverse showing death of Mr. Warren in battle, reverse showing a view of the monument.

Mr. Nichols, - new U. S. \$1 note with signatures of Woods and Woodin, new U. S. \$1. - silver certificate with signatures of Woods and Woodin, and another with signatures of Julian and Woodin.

Dec. 29 1933.

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Wardner occupied the chair; others present were Messrs. Blaney, Stafford, Davis, Wheeler, Hamilton, Prior, Dewing and Storer. We were glad to have with us our honorary member Mr. Foster Stearns.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

The president appointed Messrs. Hamilton, Prior and Blaney as a committee to nominate officers for the coming year.

Mr. Dewing then gave a very interesting talk based upon his recent travels in southeastern Europe, of the political conditions in the Balkans, emphasizing the prevalent feeling that another war was certain to break out within the next ten years. He analyzed very thoroughly the conditions that made the Balkans and surrounding countries a powder magazine only awaiting a spark to bring on the inevitable explosion.

Mr. Dewing also gave us some interesting numismatic experiences in Greece and spoke of the difficulty of obtaining in that country anything really good as most of the hoards that are discovered find their way to the European capitals.

There was some interesting discussion as to the value of rare Greek coins.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Malcolm Storer
Secretary pro tem.

Jan. 31, 1934 Annual Meeting.

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Wardner occupied the chair, other members present were Messrs. Stafford, Nichols, Davis, Blaney, Prior, Lowenstam, Barnes, J. O. Brown, Willey, ~~Wardner~~, Hamilton and Pond. The report of the secretary pro-tem for the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

The Treasurer's report for the last year was read and accepted. It showed a substantial gain in cash on hand and a vote of appreciation was passed to the treasurer for his careful handling of the Society's finances.

Mr. Pond told of having attended the banquet held in New York in celebration of the twenty fifth anniversary of the New York Numismatic Club. The dinner was followed by the Club's annual meeting presided over by the retiring president Mr. Howland Wood who for twenty seven years has been a member of the Boston Numismatic Society. After the meeting Mr. Edward J. Newell read an extremely interesting paper entitled, "A few words on inflation in ancient times, as exemplified by coinage."

President Wardner then called upon the committee appointed at the last meeting to bring in nomination for officers for the coming year and Mr. Blaney speaking for the committee offered the following:

President — Mr. George W. Wardner
Vice president and Curator — Mr. Charles A. Davis
Treasurer — Mr. Morgan H. Stafford
Secretary — Mr. Shepard Pond

There being no other nominations these gentlemen were unanimously elected.

A discussion then took place on the subject of securing regular quarters for the Society and it was voted that the president appoint a committee of three to investigate and report on the cost and advisability of getting for

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Wardner occupied the chair. Other members present were Messrs. Childs, Wheeler, Stafford, Prior, Willey, Davis, F. O. Brown and Pond. Three guests attended, Mr. Harold Hill Blossom, 210 Mt. Vernon St., West Roxbury, Mr. G. Harry Bill of Whitman, and Mr. Loring B. Packard of Brockton.

After dinner the meeting was called to order and the Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

Mr. HENRY SCHUMACHER, 11 South Fairview St., Roslindale, Mass., was nominated for membership in the Society. The nomination being duly seconded the President appointed a committee of Messrs. Prior (chairman), Childs and F. O. Brown to pass on this candidate.

A letter to the Society having been received from Mr. Schumacher telling of a proposed New England Hobby Show to be held next autumn, the President appointed Vice President Davis as a committee of one to investigate and keep in touch with this project.

There being no further business to come before the meeting it was adjourned and Mr. Shepard Pond then read a paper on, "Pretenders to the French throne in Numismatics."

Commencing with a brief summary of the French Bourbon monarchy in the eighteenth century, its relations with the Orleans family, the alliance of Church and State, Mr. Pond took up in turn the numerous changes of government in France during the last century and a half. He mentioned in sequence the Pretenders Louis XVII, Napoleon II, the Count of Chambord or Henri V, the Orleanist Count of Paris and the Bonaparte Prince Imperial or Napoleon IV. A number of medals and tokens of each of these Pretenders were shown, the exhibit being materially enlarged by the kindness of the American Numismatic Society.

of New York which loaned some very interesting pieces for the occasion. A number of essays on pieces of fantasy, so called coinages of Napoleon Henry I and Napoleon IV, the output during the latter half of the eighteenth century of Mr. August Brichant of Bruxelles, were shown.

In conclusion Mr. Pond traced ~~the~~ to date the two lines of Orleansist and Bonaparte Pretenders noting the comparative paucity of numismatic material in both lines as being perhaps indicative perhaps of the world's dwindling interest in their pretensions.

At the conclusion of the paper those present kindly tendered to Mr. Pond their thanks for his efforts. After the announcement that at the next meeting Mr. Stafford would speak on "Revolutionary and Continental Paper Currency", it was voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond Sec'y

April 30 1934

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. In the absence of President Wurdner the chair was occupied by Vice President Davis. Other members present were Messrs. Gifford, Stafford, Prior, Blaney, Wheeler, Barney, Hamilton, F. O. Brown and Pond. Present as guests were Messrs Henry Schumacher, Howard Corning of the Essex Institute, Salem, Mass. and Hayward S. Houghton of Arlington, Mass.

The Secretary's report of the preceeding meeting was read and accepted.

A favorable report having been received from the committee on elections Mr. HENRY SCHUMACHER of 11 South Fairview St., Roslindale, Mass. was elected to membership.

Mr. Howard Corning invited the Society to visit the Essex Institute in Salem sometime next fall promising a cordial reception and an opportunity to inspect the Institute's considerable collection of United States and Chinese coins.

Mr. Schumacher spoke at length of a proposed Hobby Show to be held next December in Horticultural Hall and which was to be under his general management. The members present expressed their interest in the proposed show and their hope that it would be a success and by a vote of the Society the Secretary was authorized to write Mr. Schumacher expressing the Society's approval in principle of this proposed show.

Mr. Morgan H. Stafford then took the floor and read a very interesting paper on "Colonial and Continental Paper Money". Beginning with a brief description of Colonial conditions at the close of the seventeenth century and the chronic scarcity of "hard" money Mr. Stafford outlined the causes which brought into being the first early Colonial issues starting with the first small issue in 1690 of Massachusetts notes which now are so extremely rare.

Specimens of almost all important issues were shown a few only of the rarest pieces being illustrated by photographs or engravings.

As a historical background to the Continental paper Mr. Stafford showed why it was issued its initial but short lived popularity and the subsequent inevitable depreciation which set in all too soon. He told of the desperate efforts of Congress and the individual states to maintain paper at parity with coin, the legislation enacted and the threats of punishment for not accepting it at face value, the wholesale counterfeiting of this paper by the British, the ensuing great rise in prices, the endeavors to bolster the situation up by lotteries and the general distress and that spread throughout the colonies as the result of Congress' failure with paper money as a circulating medium.

Mr. Stafford showed some 300 specimens selected from his large collection of early American paper money. Among the scarcer pieces were, originals of the Continental notes dated Philadelphia May 20 1777 and Yorktown April 11 1778 together with contemporary British counterfeit of these issues; - "Sword-in-hand", "Codfish", and "Rising Sun" notes of Massachusetts, - early pieces of New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Connecticut and New York including the rare ten pound bill of New York dated April 18 1786, six rare bills of Virginia, July 17 1775 for 20 shillings and one, two, three eight and twenty pounds and two other rare Virginian notes, one dated Oct. 5th 1778 for \$100 and the other dated May 3 1779 for \$50.

Those present expressed their thanks to Mr. Stafford for his paper and the unusually interesting exhibit.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shupard Pond

May 21 1934.

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Wardner occupied the chair, the other members present being Messrs. Willey, Amee, Stafford, Blaney, Prior, Rowell, Schumacher, Dewing, F. O. Brown, Davis, Storer, Tilden, Wheeler, Gifford, Hamilton, Barney and Pond.

The report of the Secretary of the last meeting was read and accepted.

The President appointed Messrs. Davis, Brown and Schumacher delegates to represent the Society at the annual convention of the American Numismatic Association to be held this summer in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Carleton S. Gifford then read an extremely interesting paper on "The Austrian Order of the Golden Fleece." Beginning by telling of the reasons in medieval times for the founding of orders, the religious and dynastic importance thereof and the creation and disappearance of countless such organizations, Mr. Gifford pointed out that but three orders have come down through the ages practically unchanged both as to rules of award and design, - the Garter of Great Britain founded in 1346, the Annunziata of Italy founded in 1362, and the Golden Fleece founded in 1429. The Fleece is a vivid example of the uncertainty of origin of very old orders and the significance of insignia. The occasion for its founding is generally agreed to have been the marriage of Duke Philip the Good of Burgundy to the Infanta Isabella of Portugal. Of all the reasons adduced for the name and emblem of the order - "The Golden Fleece", the most likely seems to be the great wealth of the produced by the rich wool industry in and around Philip's city of Bruges in the Lowlands.

From the very start membership in the order was

most highly prized and sparingly conferred. Many privileges and dignities attached to membership. Unlike most orders the Fleece did not feature the Cross in its insignia which consisted of a small golden lamb (or fleece) suspended from a golden chain or a ribbon which passed around the neck of the wearer.

Mr. Gifford went on to describe the quarrel that arose between the Houses of Austria and Spain after the division by the Emperor Charles and successor by inheritance of Philip the Good of his Austrian and Spanish possessions. Both Austria and Spain claimed the Fleece. He told of the bitterness of the dispute that broke out in the early 18th century when the Spanish Netherlands were transferred to Austria as a result of the war of the Spanish Succession and the insistence of both Austria and Spain to the sole right to the order. It was due to the unwillingness of either royal family to yield, Mr. Gifford said, that the two branches, Spanish and Austrian, came into being.

Prior to the World War it had been almost impossible for a collector to procure a specimen of the Golden Fleece and even now despite the broken fortunes of many Austrian Archdukes and Spanish Grandees, it remains exceedingly rare. Mr. Gifford closed by showing a specimen he had recently acquired. This was the property originally of the Hungarian Count Gyorgy Apponyi who died in 1899.

All present admired the rare specimen of this famous old order and thanked Mr. Gifford for his most interesting paper and exhibit. The meeting then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Secretary

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The first autumn meeting of the Society was held at the Boston City Club. President Wardner occupied the chair, others present being Messrs. Davis, Willey, Hamilton, Wheeler, Stafford, Gifford, Wood, F. O. Brown, Prior and Pond.

After the customary dinner President Wardner called the meeting to order.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Albert A. Grinnell of Detroit presenting to the Society a splendid uncirculated and low numbered, U. S. Treasury note of the first issue in 1862. The gift was much appreciated by the members present and the Secretary was instructed to send the thanks of the Society to Mr. Grinnell.

Members of the two committees appointed at the meeting January 31, 1934 to investigate the questions of permanent quarters for the Society and the possible revision of the By-Laws informed the President that neither committee was yet ready to bring in its report.

The Secretary read a letter just received from the managers of the proposed "New England Hobby Collectors' Show" to be held in Horticultural Hall December 11 to 15. After discussion the President was authorized to appoint a committee of three members to report at the next meeting on the question of the Society's occupying a booth. The President appointed Messrs. Davis (chairman), Hamilton and Prior.

The business of the meeting having been concluded Mr. Shepard Pond read a paper on the Assignats of the French Revolution showing the purposes of issue, the depreciation of, and the ultimate extinction of this paper currency.

A number of assignats were shown by Mr. Pond and Mr. Stafford.

Shepard Pond, Secy

Oct 29 1934

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. The chair was occupied by President Wardner. Other members present were Messrs. Nichols, Gifford, Stare, Schuhmacher, F. O. Brown, Sewing, Faeltgen, Tilden, Stafford, Lowenstam, Wheeler, Davis, Childs, Amee, Prior and Cond. Mr. Clement Hayes of Boston attended as guest of Mr. Faeltgen.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

Mr. Davis, chairman of the committee appointed at the last meeting to consider the question of participating in the coming New England Hobby Show reported in favor of such action. It was then voted that this committee be continued and be authorized to make all necessary arrangements for this show including soliciting exhibits and services of members. The committee was also authorized to expend not over \$25.- for this purpose.

Mr. Schuhmacher told of his attendance at the American Numismatic Association's annual convention in Cleveland and gave a brief summary of the happenings there.

Mr. Davis told of a recent visit to Providence where he attended an organization meeting of the Rhode Island Coin Club and of which he was made an honorary member.

The business of the meeting being concluded Mr. Sewing gave a most interesting talk on the Dekadrachmas of Syracuse. He explained that the first Syracusean dekadrachmas were issued in 479 B.C. as a result of the victory of Gelon, Lord of Syracuse, in conjunction with Theron of Agrigento over the Carthaginians who had invaded Sicily under Hannibal. In the battle of Himera, 480 B.C. the Syracuseans were completely successful; Hannibal was either killed or committed suicide. Out of the plunder of the

Carthaginian camp and a war indemnity, paid by the Carthaginians, of two thousand talents there was struck, in commemoration of the victory, a dekadrachma called the Stemareteia after Stemarete, wife of Gelon. The dekadrachma has on one side a female head crowned with laurel and surrounded by four dolphins. The impress is similar to that already used on the tetradrachmas. On the opposite side is the quadriga crowned by Nike and below a lion. This coin, of which there are comparatively few specimens extant, was widely known and greatly admired throughout the fifth century B.C.

The second coinage of dekadrachmas occurred in connection with the victory of the Syracuseans over the Athenians, culminating in the battle of the Assinaros River in 413 B.C., the climax and end of the famous Sicilian Expedition.

The Athenians, under three generals including Nicias, who had opposed the expedition, set out with a large fleet of 134 trireme and upwards of 30,000 combatants in order to conquer Syracuse and gain a dominant foothold in Sicily. After a series of misfortunes the Athenian fleet was destroyed in the harbor of Syracuse and the land forces, after terrible privation and suffering, surrendered to the Syracuseans on the banks of the river Assinaros, a small river in the south eastern part of Sicily. The generals were put to death and the few surviving Athenians were confined in open stone quarries.

To celebrate this victory the Syracuseans initiated the Assinarian Games. These occurred annually thereafter and in connection with these Games there were issued a series of dekadrachmas which have frequently

been described as the finest fruits of the Greek die cutters' art. At first the dies for the dekadrachmas were cut by Kimon and there are recognized two types, of which the second type has three distinct varieties. On all dekadrachmas the obverse is a female head surrounded by four dolphins and the reverse is the quadriga crowned by Nike and below the armor of a Greek hoplite. Often below the armor is the Greek word *Athla*.

In the first and earliest type of Kimon dekadrachmas the nose, forehead and hair of the female head constitute a single straight line. In the other type the hair is brought over the forehead. The other varieties of this second type can be distinguished by slight variations, such as the lines in the chin, the distance between the lower left hand dolphin and the mouth, and the elaboration of hair arrangement. On all the dekadrachmas of Kimon the forelegs of the horses of the quadriga are almost parallel. It is probable that the female head of the Kimon dekadrachmas ~~was not~~ was intended to represent the local goddess, Arethusa.

The greatest variety of dekadrachmas bear the signature of Euainetos and probably were later than those of Kimon. Mr. Albert Gallatin of the American Numismatic Society, prepared a very elaborate study of Euainetos dekadrachmas which was published by the Harvard University Press in 1930. Gallatin recognizes 427 extant specimens of the Euainetos dekadrachmas of which there are no less than 48 varieties of the reverse. The head of the obverse is supposed to be that of Persephone, or Kore. It shows distinct differences, in the

arrangement of hair, from the female head on the Kimon dekadrachmas. Of the Euainetos neither the front legs nor the hind legs of the quadriga, on the reverse of the dekadrachmas, are parallel. This difference in the position of the legs affords a very ready means of distinguishing between the dekadrachmas of Kimon and Euainetos.

It is impossible to date, exactly, these dekadrachmas. Those of Kimon are much rarer and may have been issued only during the first four years of the Persian invasion, - from 412 to 408 B.C. Gallatin has worked out, with great care, the probable sequence of the Euainetos pieces. He has done this by a study of the combinations of obverse and reverse together with the ear cracks and imperfections of the dies. This sequence, however, does not give us even an approximate correlation between the die combinations and the dates of issue.

Mr. Sewing exhibited several of these beautiful pieces and still another specimen was shown by Mr. Lowenstam.

At the conclusion of the talk the thanks of all present were tendered to Mr. Sewing. The meeting then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Secretary.

Dec Nov 26, 1934

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. In the absence of President Wardner the chair was occupied by Vice-President Davis. Others present were Mr. Storer and Messrs. Gifford, Schuhmacher, Stafford, Wheeler, Blaney, Prior, Nichols, and Pond. Mr. Henry Evanson of Dedham, Mass., was present as guest of Mr. Davis.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

Mr. Nichols, reporting for the committee on permanent quarters said that to date the committee's investigations indicated that the question of expense for permanent quarters might prove insuperable.

Mr. Stafford and Mr. Blaney, the committee on possible revision of the Society's By-Laws reported progress and their hopes to bring in some definite recommendations by the next annual meeting.

Mr. Davis, chairman of the committee to run the Society's booth in the coming New England Hobby Collectors Show outlined the committee's plans and promised a varied and interesting exhibit on behalf of the Society.

Mr. HENRY EVANSON of 421 Washington St., Dedham, Mass. was proposed for membership in the Society. According to custom this was referred to the committee on elections as appointed at the meeting of March 26, 1934.

Mr. Pond showed some satirical paper currency issued during the recent gubernatorial election in California and opposing the candidature of Mr. Upton Sinclair.

The meeting was concluded by an interesting talk by Mr. Davis on the life and work of Bolen the well known die sinker who worked in Springfield, during the last century. Mr. Davis also showed a large collection of Bolen medals.

Shepard Pond Sec'y.

Dec 28 1934

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. In the absence of President Wardner the chair was occupied by Vice-president Davis. Due to its being the holiday season between Christmas and New years the attendance was small there being present only Messrs. Davis, Tilden, Wheeler, Prior, Schuhmacher and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

Mr. HENRY EVANSON, 421 Washington St., Dedham, Mass. was elected to membership.

Messrs. Davis and Schuhmacher told of the New England Hobby Collectors Show and the Society's participation therein. Mr. Schuhmacher who managed the whole show kindly donated, at his own expense, the booth occupied jointly by the Boston Numismatic Society and the American Numismatic Association and Mr. Davis at considerable personal effort and expense supplied a splendid exhibit, varied from day to day. Mr. Davis was in almost constant attendance at the Society's booth, being assisted from time to time by other members.

The thanks of the Society were voted to Messrs. Schuhmacher and Davis for their voluntary work for the advancement of numismatics.

In accordance with regular custom the Chair appointed a committee of three, Mr. Nichols chairman and Messrs. Gifford and Prior, to bring in nominations for the election of officers at the coming annual meeting in January.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

MALCOLM STORER, NUMISMATIST, DIES

Boston Physician Was Curator
of Coins and Medals at
Harvard University.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY AIDE

Former Gynecology Instructor
Had Been Honored by the
Museum of Fine Arts.

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.
BOSTON, Jan. 2. — Dr. Malcolm Storer, for many years a physician of this city, died early this morning at his home, 380 Beacon Street. He was curator of coins and medals of Harvard University and the Massachusetts Historical Society.

Dr. Storer was born in Milton April 26, 1862, the son of Horatio Robinson and Emily E. (Gilmore) Storer. He attended private schools in Germany, Italy, England and Newport, R. I., before entering Harvard, where he received his A. B. in 1885, and his M. D. in 1889. He began practice in Boston in 1901 and became a gynecologist at the Boston Dispensary and an instructor in gynecology at the Harvard Medical School.

Always interested in numismatics, in addition to the curatorships already mentioned, he had charge of medical medals at the Boston Medical Library, and was honorary keeper of coins at the Boston Museum of fine arts. He had been both president and secretary at various times of the Boston Numismatic Society.

As a member of the Massachusetts Historical Society, of which he was a former councillor, he prepared a list of 2,300 Massachusetts medals.

In the World War Dr. Storer was appointed a lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps, but was not called upon for active service. For three years, however, he worked as a packer, at the Boston station, of supplies sent overseas to the French fund for the wounded and for the Italian relief purposes.

Dr. Storer was a member of the American Medical Association, Massachusetts Medical Society, Society for Medical Improvement, Naval History Society, Alpha Delta Phi and Delta Kappa Epsilon. For many years his office was at 476 Boylston Street.

In October, 1899, Dr. Storer married Miss Grace Ayrault of Geneva, N. Y. She and a daughter, Mrs. Egerton B. Sawtelle of Augusta, Me., survive, as do two brothers, Frank A. Storer of Coral Gables, Fla., and John H. Storer of Waltham; a sister, Miss Agnes C. Storer of Newport, R. I., and several nephews and nieces.

BOSTON EVENING TRANSCRIPT JAN 2 1935

BOSTON GLOBE JAN 3 1935

Dr. Malcolm Storer, Numismatist, Dead

Native of Milton, Harvard '85,
Curator of Medals, Coins,
for Various Societies

Dr. Malcolm Storer, for many years a physician of this city, whose home was at 380 Beacon street, died early today.

Dr. Storer was born in Milton April 26, 1862, the son of Horatio Robinson and Emily E. (Gilmore) Storer. He was educated at private schools in Germany, Italy and England and Newport, R. I.; on entering Harvard was graduated with the class of '85, subsequently being graduated from the Harvard Medical School in 1899. He began practice in Boston in 1901 and was a gynecologist at the Boston Dispensary and an instructor in gynecology at the Harvard Medical School. Always interested in numismatics, he was curator of medals and coins at Harvard and curator of medical medals at the Boston Medical Library.

He also was the honorary keeper of coins at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, and had been both president and secretary at various times of the Boston Numismatic Society. As a member of the Massachusetts Historical Society, of which he had been a councillor, he prepared a list of Massachusetts medals, of which mention is made of 2300.

During the late war Dr. Storer was appointed a lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps but was not called upon for active service. For three years, however, he worked as a packer at the Boston station for supplies which went to the French Fund for the Wounded and the Italian Relief.

He was a member of the American Medical Association, Massachusetts Medical Society, Society for Medical Improvement, Naval History Society, Alpha Delta Phi and Delta Kappa Epsilon. For a number of years Dr. Storer had an office at 476 Boylston street.

In October, 1899, Dr. Storer married Miss Grace Ayrault of Geneva, N. Y. She and a daughter, Mrs. Egerton B. Sawtelle, of Augusta, Me., survive. There also are two brothers, Frank A. Storer of Coral Gables, Fla., and John H. Storer of Waltham; a sister, Miss Agnes C. Storer of Newport, R. I., and numerous nephews and nieces.

DR MALCOLM STORER

Dr Malcolm Storer of 380 Beacon st, for many years a leading Boston physician, died early yesterday morning. At one time he served as head of the Boston Dispensary and the North End Diet Kitchen, and was a member of the Harvard Medical School faculty and councilor of the Harvard Medical Alumnae Association.

Dr Storer was born in Milton in 1862, attended private schools in Germany, Italy, England and Newport, R. I. before going to Harvard. He was graduated in 1895 and from the medical school in 1899.

He was a noted coin collector, and was curator of coins and medals for the Massachusetts Historical Society and president of the Boston Numismatic Society.

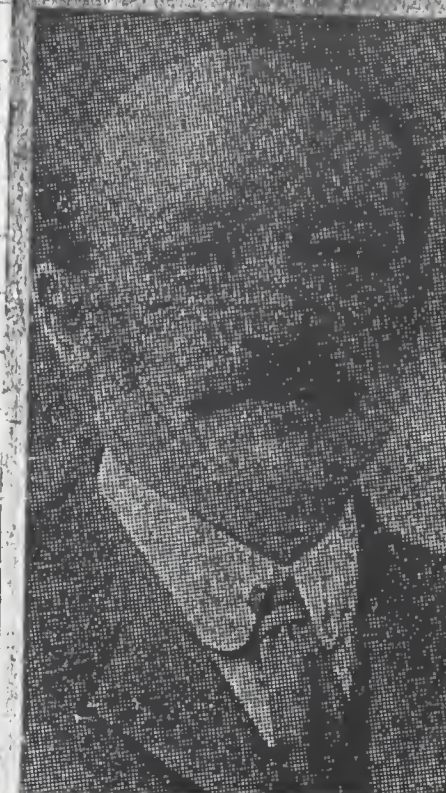
He is survived by a wife, Mrs Grace Storer.

Dr. Malcolm Storer

Dr. Malcolm Storer's death has left to his family and friends delightful memories of a life well lived and of a charming personality. The third in a line of distinguished physicians, he maintained the high traditions of the medical profession, and as a collector of coins and medals, to which avocation he turned when compelled to lay down the cares of his practice, he was widely known and was recognized as an authority. But only those whom he admitted to close intimacy can fully appreciate the high character and the rare qualities of the man. His wit and wisdom made him a most charming companion, and his kindly and sympathetic interest in others attracted a host of loyal friends. His mind never lost the elasticity of youth and, owing to his adaptability to changing circumstances, his circle of friends was ever widening. While he had the capacity for full appreciation of the joys of life, he met its slings and arrows with unwavering fortitude and patience. Although he suffered from angina during the last years of his life and was fully conscious of the significance of its excruciating pain, this knowledge was revealed by neither act nor word. He faced the future with unflinching courage and remained the captain of his soul.

Transcript Jan. 2 1935 G. S.

Physician Dies



DR. MALCOLM STORER

DR. STORER DEAD HERE IN 78TH YEAR

Harvard Graduate Noted as
Numismatic Authority

Dr. Malcolm Storer, 77, for many years a leading physician in Boston and prominently known as a curator of medals and coins for several societies, died at his home, 380 Beacon street, yesterday.

He leaves his widow, Mrs. Grace (Ayrault) Storer; a daughter, Mrs. Egerton B. Sawtelle, of Augusta, Me.; two brothers, Frank A. Storer, of Coral Gables, Fla., and John H. Storer, of Waltham; and a sister, Miss Agnes C. Storer, of Newport, R. I.

He was a member of the Boston Numismatic Society, the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts Medical Society, the Society for Medical Improvement, the Naval History Society, the Massachusetts Historical Society, the Harvard Club, the Alpha Delta Phi and Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Dr. Storer was born in Milton, the son of Horatio Robinson and Emily E. (Gilmore) Storer. He received his education in private schools in Germany, Italy, England, and Newport, R. I. He was graduated from Harvard with the class of 1885.

Subsequently he was graduated from the Harvard medical school. He started practicing in Boston in 1901 and for a time was gynecologist at the Boston Dispensary and a lecturer on gynecology at the Harvard medical school.

Through his interest in medals and coins he was appointed curator of numismatics at Harvard and of the medical medals at the Boston Medical Library. He was long a member of the Boston Numismatic Society, and had served as president and secretary of the organization. He was also honorary keeper of the medals at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

During the world war, Dr. Storer was appointed a lieutenant in the Medical Corps, but was not called upon for the French and for the wounded during the war, however, he worked at the Boston station for supplies intended for the French Fund for the wounded and the Italian relief.

Funeral Tomorrow of Dr. Malcolm Storer

Funeral services for Dr. Malcolm Storer, well-known physician of Boston, who died yesterday at his home, 380 Beacon street, Back Bay, will be held tomorrow from his home at 11 a. m.

Dr. Storer was born in Milton, April 26, 1862, the son of Horatio Robinson and Emily E. (Gilmore) Storer. He was educated at private schools in Germany, Italy, England and Newport, R. I. Dr. Storer was graduated from Harvard Medical School in 1899 and began practice in Boston in 1901 and was a gynecologist at the Boston Dispensary and an instructor of gynecology at Harvard Medical School. During the World War he was appointed a lieutenant in the medical reserve corps but was not called upon for active service.

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MALCOLM STORER, M. D.

Malcolm Storer, a leading physician of Boston, a widely known numismatist, and the most prominent member of the Boston Numismatic Society, died at his home, 380 Beacon Street, on January 2, 1935. He was the grandson of David Humphreys Storer (1804-91) and the son of Horatio Robinson Storer (1830-1922), both in their day eminent in American medicine, and the latter also a distinguished numismatist.

He was born in Milton, Mass., April 26, 1862, received much of his earlier education in England and continental Europe, and was graduated from Harvard College in 1885 and from the Harvard Medical School in 1889. He was in active practice in Boston for some thirty years. He was married at Geneva, N. Y., October 31, 1899, to Miss Grace Ayrault, of that place, who survives him, together with a daughter, Mrs. Egerton B. Sawtelle. Two brothers and a sister also survive him.

In medicine he was known as the author of numerous papers in the field of gynecology, in which subject he had been instructor in the Harvard Medical School, specialist at St. Elizabeth's Hospital and the Boston Dispensary; he had been President of the Boston Obstetrical Society, a councillor of the Harvard Medical Alumni Association, and had held other medical positions and offices. In 1910 he reported to his college class that "Boston, in winter, with plenty of hospital work and a modicum of private practice, and summer at Islesford, Maine, render existence not entirely unattractive." During the war he was commissioned lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps, and worked some three years for the "French and Italian Reliefs." He was a member of the Society for Medical Improvement, the Massachusetts Medical Society, and the American Medical Association.

Of associations not medical or numismatic, he belonged to the Club of Odd Volumes, the Harvard and St. Botolph Clubs, the Naval History Society, and the Massachusetts Historical Society, of which he had been a councillor.

In the numismatic field he was author of a paper on "Admiral Vernon Medals" (1919) and of a volume entitled "Numismatics of Massachusetts" (1923), and editor of his father's "Medicina in Nummis" (1931). He was, besides, entrusted with the care of important numismatic collections in the Boston region. He had made for himself a considerable collection of Naval medals; he was curator of the collection of Medical medals presented by his father to the Boston Medical Library; of the coins at Harvard College; of the coins and medals at the Massachusetts Historical Society; and was honorary keeper of coins at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

When, in 1907, the Boston Numismatic Society, at that time reduced to some five members, discovered that there were a few younger men who might be able to carry on its work, it was quick to elect them to membership. One of these younger men was Storer, who became vice-president and curator the next year. In 1914 he became President for a term of four years, and held this office again in 1925, serving as secretary during five of the six intervening years. Whether in office or out, he was always much interested in the society.

In later years he travelled much—as far as Hawaii and Africa—and at times gave us interesting addresses about his journeys, as well as on numismatics, of which he had a very wide and thorough knowledge.

He belonged to the American Numismatic Society and the American Numismatic Association, and during the latter's convention held in Boston in 1921 was host to its officers and those of our society at an enjoyable dinner at the Harvard Club. He was always a leader among us—the leader—and it is not possible to express our sense of what his departure means.

His heritage was unusual, and to it he added attainment, sharing most freely both his gifts and his learning. He possessed a Greek sensibility and a Roman strength, combining the graces of life with earnestness. He enjoyed being useful in the world, and so fulfilled all his obligations as to find them more than agreeable. He was good by instinct, and remained so. He took a keen delight in human intercourse, recognizing to the full the qualities of other men and not remarking any lack. Others, on their part, discerned his superiority and placed him high in their esteem. To use his own characterization of one of his old friends, "he was a gallant gentleman and a great loss."

HORACE L. WHEELER.

Feb. 26 1935

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Davis occupied the chair: others present were Messrs. Gifford, Willey, Nichols, Wheeler, Blaney, J. O. Brown, Prior, Hamilton, Barney and Pond. A pleasant surprise was the presence of Mr. J. O. Brown who had recently moved to Syracuse, N. Y. to engage in the coin and medal business in that city.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

A letter from the Société royale de numismatique de Belgique congratulating our Society on its seventy fifth anniversary was read and the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of this communication.

Mr. Nichols who, at the request of the President had been investigating informally the possible cost of a medal to commemorate the Society's 75th anniversary made an interesting preliminary report and it was voted that the President appoint a committee of three to investigate the matter further and bring in a final report with such recommendation for action as seemed proper to the committee.

The President appointed the following, Mr. Nichols chairman, Mr. Gifford and Mr. Blaney.

The meeting was then adjourned. Shepard Pond, Secy.

Exhibits: - Mr. Wheeler - Star of the Spanish order for service at sea; a Connecticut cent.
Mr. Davis - silver gilt medal "Racing Club de France" 1891
Mr. Blaney - Spanish dollar of Philip III; also set of Boston Numismatic Society medals of 1813 in silver, bronze and white metal.
Mr. Hamilton - La Fayette dollar; a large assortment of U. S. fractional currency; a curious piece of three fire fused U. S. half dollars.

April 15 1935

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. Those present were, President Davis in the chair, Messrs. Blaney, Gifford, Childs, Nichols, Wheeler, Wardner, ~~Davis~~, Dewing, Prior, Stafford, Willey, Schumacher, Hamilton, Barney ^{and} Pond.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

A letter ~~was read~~ from the Westchester County Coin Club of New York was read. It expressed that Club's disapproval of ~~a~~ bait advertising by any person or coin dealers designed to promote the sale of coin premium lists when such advertisers had no intention of ~~or desire to~~ purchasing rare coins. A resolution of the Westchester County Coin Club accompanied this letter and was read.

Mr. Nichols as chairman brought in the final report of the committee appointed at the last meeting to look into the possible issuance by the Society of a medal to commemorate its 75th anniversary. The report recommended the striking of 85 silver medals 44 millimeters in diameter bearing the seal of the society on the obverse and on the reverse a legend indicating the event together with a space for engraving the name of the recipient of each medal.

After a brief discussion it was voted that the committee's report be accepted, that the medals be struck in silver and that the size, design and number struck be as recommended that the medal be struck by Messrs M.G. Wood and ~~Sons~~ of Boston and that the treasurer, on receipt of proper vouchers from the committee, be authorized to expend not over \$250.00 for the striking, engraving and distribution of the medal.

It was also voted that minor adjustments in the design of the obverse of the medal be

left to the discretion of the committee.

It was voted that the medal be distributed gratis to all members of the Society who were in good standing at the time of the May meeting, one specimen only to each such member, and that a limited number of medals be given to certain approved numismatic societies in ~~this~~ the United States and foreign countries.

Mr. Stafford, reporting for the committee appointed at the meeting Jan. 31, 1934 to study the by-laws of the Society with a view to suggesting any changes therein, read several proposed amendments and presented them in writing as required. It is expected that these will be taken up for action at a future meeting.

It was voted that the President, Vice-president, Treasurer and Secretary as a body be empowered to remit, in their discretion, the dues of any member now due and unpaid without disclosing in open meeting the name of any member involved.

It was then voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond Secy

- Mr. Stafford told of having given a talk on coins Sunday evening April 14th at the Episcopal Church in Concord, Mass. to a group of young people. He showed them a large assortment of coins ranging from about 700 B.C. to the present time with a view to showing coinages of the great rulers of the world. He also exhibited a series of Chinese coins covering the same period. A question period at the end of his talk proved, by the numerous and intelligent questions of his audience that his time and effort were well spent in the interest of numismatics.

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May 27 1935

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Davis occupied the chair. Others present were Messrs. Gifford, Wheeler, Stafford, Willey, Lowenstam, Blaney, Schlusmacher, Nichols, Wardner, Prior, Barney and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

A further report of the medal committee was made. Ninety silver medals had been struck as authorized at the last meeting and all had been delivered to the Society's secretary. The list of members and numismatic societies to receive the medal having been prepared by the secretary and the medal committee and it being evident that this list would use up the entire supply it was voted that the committee be authorized to expend up to \$25.- additional for the striking of ten more medals and to cover any costs of distribution.

This report of the medal committee was accepted with the thanks of all present.

It was voted that the Secretary write a letter of appreciation to Messrs. N. G. Wood and Sons for the very satisfactory way in which they handled the striking of this medal.

The changes in the Society's by-laws proposed at the last meeting were then voted. They are as follows.

To follow Article V: The President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be deemed to constitute the Executive Committee, with administrative powers, including authority to remit the dues of members, without divulging the names of such members in open meeting, and to reinstate members upon the payment of arrears.

Article VI. Add to Paragraph 4: No applicant for membership shall be admitted to a meeting while his application is under discussion or being balloted upon.

Article VI. Add as Paragraph 5: A membership Committee to consist of three or more members shall be appointed annually by the President or acting President whose duty it shall be to investigate carefully the qualifications of each applicant for membership, and to report on the same at the meeting next following that at which the application is read, with recommendation as to election or rejection.

Article VII. Strike out Paragraph 4, reading: "Any member in arrears more than one year" etc. and substitute therefore the following: Any member in arrears for two years without reason deemed adequate by the Executive Committee shall thereby forfeit his membership, but may at the discretion of the Executive Committee be re-instated by the payment or remission of dues.

It was voted that the disposition of any unallotted 75th anniversary medals be left to the Executive Committee.

The President appointed Messrs. Schlusmacher, J. O. Brown and Pond delegates to the annual convention of the American Numismatic Association to be held in August at Pittsburgh.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shunus Pond Sec'y

July 5 1935 - President Davis appointed the following as the membership Committee - Mr. Walter P. Nichols, chairman, Mr. Richard Blaney, and Mr. Fred W. Prior.

Sept. 30 1935.

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Davis was in the chair, others present were Messrs. Gifford, Stafford, Nichols, Schuhmacher, Wardner, Willey, Wheeler, Blaney, Wormser, Barney, Hamilton and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

There was read a copy of the Secretary's letter dated August 20, 1935 to Hon. Andrew L. Somers, Chairman of the Committee of Coins, Weights and Measures, House of Representatives, Washington on the proposal to forbid further issuance of United States Commemorative coins.

Mr. Moritz Wormser who, on behalf of the several numismatic societies in Greater New York, had also written to Washington opposing the measure spoke on the ^{attitude} ~~feelings~~ of New York numismatists towards this proposal. He advised informed the meeting that although this was favored by the President and the Treasury and the bill had passed the Senate it did not come up for a vote in the House in the session of Congress recently closed. Thus the issuance of commemorative coins remains legal.

Mr. Wormser also spoke enthusiastically on the convention to be held October 11th to 13th next in New York by the several numismatic societies in the Metropolitan district and issued a cordial invitation to all Boston collectors to attend.

The Secretary then announced the very generous donation by Mr. Julius Guttag of the following rare old pamphlets, all of peculiar interest to the Society, -

1. "Description of a Selection of Coins and Medals Relating to America, exhibited to the

Massachusetts Historical Society, April 28th 1870 by William S. Appleton. The fly leaf bears the autograph of Mr. Appleton.

2. "The Medals, Jetons and Tokens illustrative of Obstetrics and Gynaecology" by Horatio S. Storer, 1887. This is a pamphlet reprint from the New England Medical Monthly.

3. The Society's 1867 edition of its Constitution and By Laws.

4. The 1871 edition of the Constitution and By Laws issued after the incorporation of the Society in 1870.

These donations were then exhibited to the members present who thereupon passed a vote of thanks to Mr. Guttag for his kindness.

An announcement from the California Pacific International Exposition in San Diego California was read. This was to the effect that the special issue of Commemorative half dollars for this Exposition were now available.

A communication from the El Paso, Texas, Museum Coin Committee was read announcing the coming issue of "Old Spanish Trail" half dollars.

Mr. Schuhmacher announced that from December 3rd to 7th inclusive there would be held in Horticultural Hall a Hobby show similar to that held last year in the same place.

He kindly offered the Boston Numismatic Society the free use of a booth for the duration of the show. The President appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. Blaney, Hamilton and Barney to investigate the advisability of running an exhibit in the show, providing attendants for the booth and any financing that might be necessary.

Mr. Nichols, who was the only ^{Boston} member of the Society to attend the recent convention in Pittsburgh of the American Numismatic Association, gave a very interesting talk.

on the convention at which two of the Society members, Messrs. Wornser and Pond were elected to the Board of Governors of the A. N. A.

For the Committee on the medal ~~the~~ commemorating the Society's 75th anniversary Mr. Nichols brought in another report telling of the distribution to date and expenses. He stated that through error two extra medals had been struck bringing the total to 102 and it was voted that the committee be authorized to expend \$10.- more for the acquisition of these two pieces and for any further expenses in connection with the distribution of the remaining medals.

It was then voted to adjourn.

Shepard Pond

Oct. 28 1935

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Gifford,

The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Davis was in the chair; other members present were Messrs. Wheeler, Willey, Blaney, Ames, F. O. Brown, Schuchmacher, Stafford, Nichols and Pond. Mr. Charles Newell Eaton of Winchester Mass was present as guest.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

A letter from the British Museum was read thanking Mr. Morgan H. Stafford for ^{his} donation of a specimen of the Boston Numismatic Society's 1st (1870) medal.

Under suspension of the By-Laws which was voted the following gentlemen were elected to membership - Mr. George A. Blake, 12 Highland Ave., Jersey City, N. J. Dr. Saul Steinberg, 11 Temple St., Boston, Mass.

Mr. Blaney, speaking for the committee on an exhibit at the coming Hobby Show, reported that it was felt the Society should occupy the booth kindly offered by Mr. Schuchmacher but that there would be much difficulty in securing the attendance necessary to conduct the exhibit properly. Mr. Schuchmacher stated that a locked cabinet could be used thus obviating the necessity of continuous attendance.

It was then voted that the Society accept the offer of a booth, that \$10.- be appropriated to cover expenses of making the exhibit and that the handling of it be confided to the existing committee, Messrs. Blaney, Hamilton and Barney.

The rest of the evening was devoted to a very interesting talk by Captain W. L. Willey on the Society of the Cincinnati.

Beginning with the organization of the Society in 1793 and the writing of the "Institution" by Major General Knop, Capt. Willey outlined the original conditions of membership and ~~the~~ told of the creation of the 13 societies in the 13

original states, all linked together by the General Society. The 14th Society, or as we might say, the French society came into existence at the same time.

Membership in the Cincinnati was open under certain limitations to officers of the United States and French armies and navies who had served in the American Revolution. In monarchical France accustomed to orders and decorations the Cincinnati flourished from its beginning only to be completely swept out of existence by the French Revolution a decade later. An attempt to revive the French Society under Napoleon III failed owing to governmental opposition and it was not until after the recent World War with its Franco-American military coöperation that the French Society was reconstituted in 1926. Curiously enough, after the long stretch of years, it found great favor in that country and the French Society is now larger than any State Society in the United States.

Hardly had the American Societies become organized when a violent storm of opposition broke. Many sincere patriots believed the institution, with its membership based on the principle of heredity, to be distinctly un-American; the Adamses and Jefferson were decidedly of this opinion. Under this pressure and with membership tending to decline due to deaths, the Cincinnati languished, several of the State Societies actually disappearing, or at least becoming dormant. The total membership which at the beginning was about 2,300 fell by 1860 to some 400.

In 1854, ^{capitally} the only important change ever made in the constitution of the Society, - its ranks were thrown open, under certain conditions differing with the various State Societies, to

descendants of Revolutionary officers even though such officers were not members of the Society.

The Centennial in 1876 stimulated a revival, all of the inactive or dormant Societies were re-constituted and the membership now, including the French Society, is said to have mounted to about 1300.

In connection with his talk Capt. Willey showed thirteen medals of the Society as follows, -

Massachusetts - 1883 centennial.

Pennsylvania - unveiling of the Washington monument

New Hampshire - 1903, commemoration of the 120th anniversary of founding.

Virginia - award to a cadet of the Virginia Military Institute.

Maryland - 1914, commemoration of the meeting in that year of the General Society.

New Hampshire - the meeting in 1920 of the General Society.

Shelburne - the 1923 meeting of the General Society, New Hampshire - award to a student of Phillips Exeter

Academy for an historical essay.

Virginia - medal for the college of William and Mary.

Virginia - medal for the University of Virginia.

New Jersey - meeting of the General Society in 1926.

Virginia - Sesqui-centennial of the battle of Yorktown, 1931.

Pennsylvania - meeting of the General Society in 1932.

At the close of his talk which stirred much interest among his listeners Captain Willey received a vote of thanks from all present.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Secretary.

Nov. 25 1935.

675 The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Davis occupied the chair others present being messrs. Giffard, Schlusmacher, Steinberg, Willey, Nichols, Stafford, F. O. Brown, Wood, Wheeler, Blaney, Prior, Barney, Hamilton and Pond.

The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

Mr. Schlusmacher presented all present with complimentary tickets to the Boston Hobby Show to be held early in December.

Mr. Howland Wood exhibited a piece of necessity paper money issued by General Gordon at Khartoum, - a note for 100 piastres dated April 25, 1884, and bearing Gordon's signature. Mr. Wood also gave a résumé of the English operations in the Sudan at that time which resulted in Gordon's death.

Mr. Blaney reported on his newly assumed work at the Harvard University Library of arranging and indexing the University's collection of coins and medals which had fallen into serious disorder.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Secy.

Among the exhibits were -

Mr. Stafford - Russian police merit badge in silver.

Mr. Blaney - Three Spanish silver pieces of Charles III all counterstamped with head of George III of England.

Mr. Wheeler - pewter token of George III on the 50th year of his reign, 1810; an uncirculated 1884 farthing of Queen Victoria; 4 marien groschen 1664 of Duke John Frederick of Brunswick and Lüneburg; 2 marks 1680 of Charles XI of Sweden.

Dec 30 1935.

676 The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club. President Davis occupied the chair. Other members present were messrs. Tilden, Blaney, Lowenstam, Stafford, Nichols, Steinberg, Willey, Wheeler, Giffard, Wardner and Pond.

Dinner having been finished the President called the meeting to order and the Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted.

An invitation from the Royal Numismatic Society of London was read inviting the Boston Numismatic Society to send a representative to a proposed International Congress of Numismatists in London in early July 1936 to be held in conjunction with the celebration of the Centenary of the Foundation of the Royal Society. This the Secretary answered saying that while it was quite possible that one or more of our members might be in London at that time and thus might be able to represent our Society it was still too early to make any definite arrangement.

Mr. Wheeler then exhibited a new United States one dollar silver certificate on the back of which is portrayed the obverse and reverse of the Great Seal of the United States. He called attention to the improper heraldic placing of the reverse of the shield in the place of honour - that is to say to the left of the obverse or face of the seal as viewed by an observer. Suggestions that a letter be addressed to the Treasury Department protesting against this error were met with a consensus of opinion that information of this sort was usually ignored and at times unwelcome in government circles.

As the next meeting in January will be the Annual Meeting the President appointed messrs. Giffard, Wardner and Wheeler as a committee to bring in nominations for officers

Boston, Massachusetts, January 27, 1936

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1935

RECEIPTS

Jan. 1, 1935,	Balance on hand,		\$841.08
	Annual Dues, 1935,	\$ 62.00	
	Annual Dues, 1936,	2.00	
	Initiation Fees,	9.00	
	Interest on Bank Deposits:		
	Suffolk Savings Bank,	\$ 5.61	
	Provident Institute		
	for Savings,	<u>10.09</u> <u>15.70</u>	
	Total receipts for 1935,		<u>88.70</u>
	Total including balance on hand Jan. 1,		<u>\$929.78</u>

EXPENDITURES

Jan. 30, 1935,	Annual Dinner, Boston City Club, 13 @ 50¢,	\$ 6.50	
" 30,	Flowers, Dr. Malcolm Storer,	5.00	
Mar. 15,	Printing,	7.00	
" 23,	Postage, including 1934,	1.75	
" 30,	A. N. A. Dues, including "Numismatist", 1935,	3.00	
May 16,	Postage stamps,	2.00	
Jul. 13,	Tin box,	2.40	
Sep. 15,	Postage stamps,	.80	
Nov. 30,	Sign, Hobby Show,	4.50	
Dec. 31,	70 reply postal cards,	1.40	
Dec. 31,	102 silver medals, costs to date:		
	Die,	\$ 31.00	
	102 medals @ \$1.90,	193.80	
	Engraving medals,	31.01	
	125 certificates		
	and engraving same,	5.00	
	Parcel post boxes,	1.97	
	Postage on shipments,	<u>15.05</u>	
	Total cost,		<u>277.83</u>
	Total expenditures for 1935,		\$312.78
Dec. 31, 1935,	On hand:		
	Provident Institute for Savings,	\$375.92	
	Suffolk Savings Bank,	237.54	
	Check and currency on hand,	<u>4.14</u>	<u>617.60</u>
	Total including balance on hand Dec. 31, 1935,		<u>\$929.78</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Morgan A. Stafford
Treasurer

for the coming years.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond, Sec'y.

Exhibits -

- Mr. Wardner - an assortment of paper currency of the Portuguese Colony of Lourenco Marques, also several handsome Masonic insignia.
- Mr. Wheeler - a beautiful gold coin of the Roman Emperor Augustus commemorating the recovery of Roman standards captured by the Parthians, also ^{badge} medal of the General Society of the War of 1812 and two medals of the Harvard Class of 1889.
- Mr. Blaney - Spanish dollar of Phillip III of 1660 and another of 1665. Also a priced catalogue of the famous Peltzer sale in England in 1927.

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in copper - A.W. 351.
U.S. - Gold Eagle, 1907 - Liberty Head,
5 mint.

Dr. Steinberg: Confederate States, \$1,000. note issued
at Montgomery, Ala., 1861
Morgan H. Stafford Sec.

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The minutes of the January meeting were read and accepted. A letter from the Numismatic Society of Dresden, Germany, dated 27th January, 1936, was read, in which appreciation was made of this Society's 75th Anniversary medal, and enclosing for our cabinet a porcelain medal commemorating the well known Saxon Manufacture at Meissen, showing on the obverse the Equestrian Statue of the Elector August the Strong, in Dresden, and on the reverse the Albrechtsburg, a 15th Century castle at Meissen.

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Mr. Gifford addressed the meeting on the value to the Society of its older members and on his motion, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted, that "Any member of the Society who has reached the age of seventy years and has been in good standing for two years or longer shall automatically become an Honorary Member."

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For President,
For Vice-president
For Treasurer,
For Secretary,

Mr. Charles A. Davis
Mr. Richard Blaney
Mr. Walter P. Nichols
Mr. Morgan H. Stafford

There being no other nominations it was voted to accept said report and to proceed to ballot. On motion duly made and seconded it was voted that the Secretary cast one ballot for the slate of the Nominating Committee, which was done, and the nominees were declared duly elected.

The resignation of Capt. William L. Wilby was read and ordered placed on the table until our next regular meeting.

Mr. Wheeler addressed the Society, speaking with eloquence and deep feeling of the retirement from the Secretaryship of Mr. Pond, after his twelve years of service, and offered the following resolution, which was spread upon the records of the Society, which was adopted by unanimous vote: "The members of the Boston Numismatic Society wish to put on record their sincere gratitude to Mr. Shepard Pond for his long, thoughtful, and distinguished service as Secretary of this Society."

Mr. Pond responded, expressing his regret at laying down his pen, & reminisced pleasantly on various events in the Society's history during his term of office, recalling the various officers of the past, & citing as the Society's outstanding accomplishments the publication in 1928 of its "Constitution, By-laws, Charter, and List of Members", and the issuance in 1935 of the Silver Medal commemorating its 75th Anniversary.

The President spoke appreciatively of Mr. Pond's efficient and meritorious service to the Society & expressed his regret at his retiring.

There being nothing further to come before the meeting, adjournment was declared.

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As one of the members included under the provisions of this motion Mr. Wheeler expressed his appreciation and thanks.

A general discussion of matters of numismatic interest followed, and the meeting adjourned until the last Monday in March.

Exhibits:-

The porcelain medal presented to the Society by the Numismatic Society of Dresden - described above.

Mr. Wheeler:- 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ gulden piece, silver, of Holland, 1933, showing portrait of Queen Wilhelmina, and carrying on its edge the inscription, translated, "May God be with us."

A 2 bugache piece, struck in Southern Arabia by the Emir of Saana. Carrying two dates, 1322, that of his accession, and 1343. That of its coinage (1934)

Dr. Steinburg:- Pattern pieces of the United States:-
1846 - \$5.00 in Copper, A. N. 102; 1863 - 1¢, A. N. 425;
1865 - 3¢ in Copper, A. N. 518; 1868 - 1¢ in Nickel, A. N. 698;
1870 - 25¢ silver, Barber design, A. N. 981; 1870 - 50¢ silver, A. N. 896.

Morgan H. Stafford
Secretary.

March
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The Society dined and held its regular monthly meeting at the Boston City Club, with twelve members present, President Davis presiding. Others present were Messrs. Lifford, Pond, Wheeler, Blaney, Steinburg, Willey, Dewing, A. J. Brown, Nichols, Madson, and Stafford.

The minutes of the February meeting were read and accepted.

Action on the application for membership of Mr. Robert C. Waldheim, presented at the last meeting, was deferred until the April meeting.

The Secretary suggested the use by the Society of an application blank, to include a brief questionnaire to enable the Membership Committee to have information on which to base its investigation of the applicant. The suggestion received favorable response, without action thereon, and was referred to the Membership Committee.

Mr. Stafford moved that the President appoint an entertainment committee of two members to prepare programs for meetings to be held during the remainder of the current year. Said motion was carried, and the President appointed as such committee, Messrs. Lifford and Pond.

Captain Willey expressed his thanks and appreciation for the motion passed at the February meeting whereby he became an Honorary Member.

Mr. Wheeler read an interesting, instructive, and timely paper entitled "Evolution of the Boston Medal", taken from a monograph by Howard Payson Arnold. It covered the designing and

and preparation in Paris of the dies with striking, and presentation of the gold medal ^{Evacuation in 1918} to General Washington. A general discussion followed.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Wheeler.

There being no further business to come before the meeting it was declared adjourned until the last Monday in April.

Exhibits:-

Yorkshire Numismatic Society, of Hull, England - a bronze medal commemorating its 25th Anniversary, presented to this Society.

Dr. Steubing -

A Pied Iron Shilling - thick planchet.

A Goldbeck Dollar, 1836, plain edge.

A small oval medal of silver, issued in 1876 by the Women's Centennial Commission of Massachusetts.

Mr. Stafford -

An early impression in bronze of the Evacuation of Boston Medal.

A similar medal in gilt bronze struck recently.

Morgan H. Stafford
Secretary.

April
27
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The Boston Numismatic Society dined and held its regular monthly business meeting at the Boston City Club with the following members and guests present:- President Davis, presiding, and Messrs. Wheeler, Willey, Clifford, Pond, Nichols, Dewing, Blaney, Lowenstein, Steubing, Stafford, and as guests, Prof. H. S. G. of Graduate School of Business Administration, Harvard University, and Mr. Joseph Stack of New York.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and accepted.

A letter from Mr. Reinhold Faelton was read in which he thanked the Society for its action in the matter of members attaining the age of seventy, becoming Honorary Members, thereby qualifying him for that class of membership.

The application for membership of Mr. Robert C. Waldheim of Sharon was allotted on and he was duly elected.

Mr. Joseph B. Stack was proposed for membership by Mr. Nichols, and his application referred to the Membership Committee for report.

The business of the Society was then declared closed until its next regular meeting to be held the last Monday in May.

Mr. Pond read a highly instructive and interesting paper on "The Maria Theresa (or Levant) Thaler" in which he traced its history from its first appearance in 1780 until the present time, when it is still minted under its original date, and in use in Abyssinia elsewhere. An interesting discussion followed.

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Exhibits:-

Mr. Pond, through the courtesy of the American Numismatic Society of New York:- Maria Theresa (Leopold) Thaler dated "1780", still current; Mexican Dollar of Charles III, 1780; Eritrean 5 ~~shater~~ lire piece of King Humbert, 1891; Eritrean Dollar of 1918; Abyssinian "Dollar" of Emperor Menelik II.

Mr. Stafford:- 100 pound note of the Bank of England, 1709, bearing the signature of (Lord) George Montagu.

Mr. Stack:- Boleyn medals of Jefferson and Webster in gold, of which not more than six in all were struck.

a set of five nickel-aluminum pieces of the Calion Lepur Colony in the Philippine Islands, being the only coinage used there, issued by the Philippine Health Service, with the backing of the Philippine Government.

Mr. Steinberg:- The following U.S. pattern pieces:
5¢ nickel, 1867, A.W. 644; dime, aluminum, 1868, A.W. 667;
3¢ copper, 1881, A.W. 1649; 3¢ silver, 1850, A.W. 110;
25¢ copper-nickel, A.W. 378; 2¢ copper proof, 1863, A.W. 412.

Morgan H. Stafford
Secretary.

May 25
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The Boston Numismatic Society met and dined at the Boston City Club, Room C, with President Davis in the chair and the following other members present:- Messrs Pond, Steinberg, Blaney, Willey, Wheeler, Schuhmacher, and Stafford, eight in all.

The minutes of the April meeting were read and accepted.

A communication from the New York Numismatic Club, dated 15th May, 1936, was read, in which the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the American Numismatic Association and its disapproval of the same was called to the attention of this Society. The amendment in question seeks to consolidate the offices of President and Chairman of the Board of Governors, and to give the first Vice-President a seat on the Board of Governors. Mr. Pond expressed in forcible terms his opposition to the proposed change and others followed with similar opposing views. On motion of Mr. Schuhmacher, seconded by Mr. Pond, that this Society go on record in opposition to the proposed amendment to Article 3, Section 2, of the Constitution of the American Numismatic Association, of which we are a corporate member, providing for the consolidation of the offices of President and Chairman of the Board of Governors, but favors the change whereby the President would become ex-officio a member of the Board of Governors.

The Committee of Investigation on the application of Mrs. Joseph W. Stack, of New York City, for membership in this Society reported favorably. A ballot was taken and said application rejected by reason of three negative votes.

There being no further business to come before the Society, the business meeting was declared closed.

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The members then listened attentively to an excellent paper by Dwight Slaney on "Some Counterstamps of the West Indies" in which he traced their origin and use. An interesting discussion followed, and a vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Slaney.

It was announced that the next meeting of the Society would be held on the last Monday in September, until which time the meeting was declared adjourned.

Exhibits:-

Dr. Steinberg:- Pattern pieces of the United States:-
One cent, of 1859, in copper nickel, - A.N. #312,
One cent, of 1859, in copper nickel, - A.N. #313,
Five cent, of 1868, in nickel, - A.N. #675,
Fifty cent, of 1859, in copper, - A.N. #298,
Fifty cent, of 1859, in copper with die break, - A.N. #298,
One dollar, of 1854 gold, struck in brass, - A.N. #184.

Mr. Schuhmacher:-

A set of Connecticut Tercentenary silver pieces of various towns and cities of that state.

Mr. Slaney:-

A selection of counterstamped coins, in silver and copper of the West Indies, illustrating in part his talk on that subject.

Morgan H. Stafford
Secretary

September
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The Boston Numismatic Society dined and held its regular monthly business meeting at the Boston City Club, Room O, with the following members present: President Davis, in the chair, and Messrs. Willey, Pond, Gifford, Nichols, Schuhmacher, Prior, Slaney, Steinberg and Stafford. As a visitor we had with us Lieut. Mr. Oscar H. Woodrow, a member of the Baltimore, Maryland, Coin Club, and at present residing in Ballston. Total attendance, eleven.

The minutes of the meeting held May 25, 1936, were read and accepted.

Mr. Gifford related his experience in acquiring a Victory Medal of France, through the kindly offices of the Legation of that Nation at Washington.

The Secretary reported that he had refused the requests of persons marketing Commemorative half dollars for lists of members of this Society, and on motion duly made and seconded it was voted:- That the Secretary be instructed not to give out the names of our members for commercial or circularizing purposes.

The President announced the passing of the following members of this Society:-

Frank O. Brown of Worcester, Mass.,
who died at Holden, Mass., September 23, 1936.

Charles Markus of Davenport, Iowa,
who died at Minneapolis, Minn., August 25, 1936,
while attending the Convention of the American Numismatic Association.

The Secretary was directed to write the families of each expressing the sympathy of the Society.

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There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned.

Mr. Nichols then gave a highly instructive and interesting talk on "How a Commemorative Half Dollar is Issued" in which he related his experiences in connection with the issuing of the York County, Maine, Tercentenary Commemorative Half Dollar, in which he played the leading part, serving as Treasurer of the Association having the matter in charge. He told of the inception of the idea, its approval by Congress and the President, of the organization work, procuring of the artist's sketches, making of the casts for presentation to the Treasury Department and art Commission; of their approval and acceptance of the design and the speedy work required on all sides to have the delivery of 25,000 pieces made at Saco within the very limited time available. He spoke of the fine spirit of cooperation shown throughout from Maine to the Treasury at Washington, the art Commission at New York, the Mint at Philadelphia, and emphasized the fact that the coin is entirely a Maine product up to the point where the Federal authorities entered into the picture.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Nichols for his very valuable and instructive talk.

Exhibits: - By Mr. Nichols: - artist's designs, documents, and a sample of the York County Half-Dollar.
Dr. Steinberg: - a set of 3 Bridgeport, Conn., Half-Dollars in case, and 8 silver and copper pattern pieces of the United States, including 20¢, 10¢, and 1¢ pieces.
Mr. Gifford: - insignia of the Society of Colonial Governors, and a diamond studded Morgan H. Stafford Cross of the Legion of Honor - 1870.
Secretary.

October 26,
1936
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The Boston Numismatic Society dined and held its regular monthly business meeting at the Boston City Club, Room O, with the following members present: - President Davis, in the chair, and Messrs. Steinberg, Pond, Wornner, Gifford, Wardner, Stanley, and Stafford. Our guests were Lieut. Oscar H. Dodson, U.S. Navy, and Mr. Archibald B. Roosevelt, Jr. Total attendance, ten.

The minutes of the last meeting, held September 28, 1936, were read and accepted.

An application for membership was received from Lieut. Oscar H. Dodson, U.S. Navy, & referred to the Committee on Membership.

Our fellow member, Moritz Wornner of New York, related his experiences at the Numismatic Congress held in London last summer, which he attended as a delegate, representing the American Numismatic Society, and also of being present at auction sales of coins in that city, citing the differences between their conduct there and in the United States. He spoke of his calling on the large coin dealers in England and the Continent and of seeing an uncirculated United States dollar of 1804 in a London shop. In closing he called attention to the forthcoming Metropolitan Coin Convention to be held in New York from November 14 & 15 urged all who can do so to be there.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned until the last Monday of November.

Exhibits: - Mr. Roosevelt - gold and silver coins of early Greece and of the Ostrogoths & Visigoths.
Mr. Stafford: - a pattern U.S. Cent of 1856, flying eagle type, in copper, and a collection of coins of early Greece, Rome, & Byzantium.
Morgan H. Stafford, Secretary.

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The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club, President Davis occupying the chair and the others present being Messrs. Steinberg, Amee, Schumacher, Pond, Nichols, Gifford, Blomey, Willey, ~~Pond~~ and Lieut. O. H. Dodson, the latter as guest.

In the absence of Secretary Stafford the President appointed Mr. Pond to act as Secretary pro-tem. Mr. Pond then read the Secretary's report of the preceding meeting. It was accepted.

The membership committee having reported favorably on the application of Lieut. OSCAR H. Dodson of 33 Watertown Ave., Quincy, ^{Mass.} to join the society Lieut. Dodson was ~~re~~ elected to membership.

A letter from the Detroit Coin Club was read announcing presentation by it to the Boston Numismatic Society of a silver medal struck to commemorate the 300th monthly meeting of the Detroit Club. The medal which was displayed to those present was much admired and was handed to the Curator to be added to our collection. Secretary Stafford had already written the Detroit Club thanking it for the gift.

Several short communications from our fellow member Mr. Horace C. Wheeler were read. Mr. Wheeler has been at the U. S. Veterans' Hospital at Castle Point, N. Y. for a couple of months and has been greatly missed at our meetings. The Secretary was requested to write him extending the season's greetings and the best wishes of all present.

The business of the meeting being concluded Lieut. Dodson gave a most interesting talk on China and some of his experiences there. Beginning with a very brief sketch of China's

history and the national characteristics of the Chinese he passed to a number of anecdotes in which he or his friends had figured. He then spoke on the Chinese coinage, its antiquity and evolution and closed by displaying and describing a number of very old pieces of jade money, key money, knife money, etc.

Lieut. Dodson's talk which was in the nature of a novelty to all present was greatly enjoyed and at its conclusion he received a hearty vote of thanks.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Shepard Pond
Secretary pro-tem.

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The Boston Numismatic Society held its regular monthly dinner and meeting at the Boston City Club on Monday, December 28, 1936, with President Davis in the Chair and other members present as follows: Messrs. Willey, Gifford, Steinberg, Lounstans, Pond, and Stafford, 7 in all.

The minutes of the November meeting were read and accepted.

The following communications were read by the Secretary: A letter from our fellow member, Moritz Krummer of New York, proprietor of the New Netherlands Coin Co. of that city, telling of the burglarizing of his shop on December 15th. and the loss of a large number of rare United States and foreign gold and silver coins. A letter from Harvard University, dated December 7, informing this Society of its donation to our cabinet of the Centenary medals in silver and bronze.

Announcement was made of the deaths of the following members since our last gathering:

Deaths.

Dr. Howard Townsend Swain, a member since 1929, died at Boston, December 6, 1936.

Clinton H. Stearns, a member since 1907,

died at Wakefield, Mass., December 13, 1936.

Horace Leslie Wheeler, a member since 1907,

died at Castle Point, N.Y., December 20, 1936.

The members stood in silence for a brief period in memory of their departed associates.

On motion duly made and seconded it was voted: That the Secretary be authorized to have application forms printed, the number to be left to his discretion.

On motion of Mr. Pond, duly seconded, the following tribute to the memory of our lately deceased associate,

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Horace Leslie Wheeler, was adopted and ordered spread upon the records, and the Secretary instructed to send a copy to Dr. Clifton F. Wheeler of Castle Point, N.Y., Mr. Wheeler's nephew:-

"By the death on December 20, 1936, of Horace Leslie Wheeler, the Boston Numismatic Society suffered the loss of one of its oldest and most respected members, a loss which will be keenly felt as time goes on and we miss the presence of Mr. Wheeler's almost inexhaustible fund of general knowledge. Observant, intelligently critical, well versed in history and the classics, Mr. Wheeler was a studious and devoted numismatist.

Tribute
to
Horace
Leslie
Wheeler.

The services he rendered so generously to the Boston Numismatic Society since his election to membership in 1907 at the time of the Society's renaissance, were of inestimable value. Holding at one time or another, as no other member ever did, all of the offices - President, Vice-President and Curator, Treasurer, and Secretary, Mr. Wheeler's contribution to the Society's welfare was outstanding. No other member during those years did so much towards enlivening discussion or disseminating knowledge at meetings as did he. His place cannot be filled but to those of us who had the privilege of knowing him and associating with him, there will always remain the memory of a fine personality, of most upright character and of high intelligence.

On motion duly made and seconded it was voted: That the cordial thanks of the Society be extended to Harvard University for its generous gift of the silver and bronze medals issued in commemoration of its three hundredth Anniversary.

Attention was called to the forthcoming Annual

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Meeting of the Society and the President appointed the following Nominating Committee to bring in a report at that time: Messrs. Willey, Chairman; Gifford and Steinberg.

On motion duly made and seconded it was voted: That the cost of the dinners to be served at the Annual Meeting in January next, be at the expense of the Society for all members in good standing.

There being no further business to come before the Society the meeting was declared adjourned until the last Monday in January.

Exhibits:-

Silver and bronze medals issued to commemorate the 300th Anniversary of Harvard University, and the gift of that institution.

Dr. Steinberg:- An assortment of U.S. pattern cents, 1850 to 1859, in composition copper and copper-nickel, and pattern quarter eagles, regular dies, 1834, in copper, not listed, and 1851, in silver, A.W. 143. Also a complete set of U.S. commemorative half-dollars, including all mint marks.

Mr. Stafford: A penny of Edward the Confessor.

Morgan H. Stafford
Secretary.

January
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The Boston Numismatic Society held its Annual Dinner and Business Meeting at the Boston City Club, Room O, on Monday evening, January 25, 1937, with President Davis in the Chair and other members present as follows: Messrs. Gifford, Pond, Willey, Blaney, Steinberg, Prior, Selchungher, Dodson, Lowtham, Warder, Evanson, Brown, Nichols, Childs, and Stafford, a total of sixteen. (Dinner free to members in good standing)

The minutes of the December, 1936, meeting were read and accepted.

The Secretary announced the presentation by the Rochester Numismatic Association of a medal struck in silver to commemorate its twenty-fifth anniversary, and on his motion a vote of thanks was extended to said Association for its gift.

The Annual Report of the Treasurer, together with the certification of the Auditor was read, accepted, and ordered to be placed on file.

The Annual Report of the Vice-President & Curator, revealing substantial acquisition to the Society's library and cabinet was read and accepted.

The Report of the Nominating Committee was read by its Chairman, Captain William L. Willey, presenting the following nominations of officers for the ensuing year, ending December 31, 1936:-

For President, -	Walter P. Nichols.
Vice President & Curator, -	Richard Blaney,
Treasurer, -	Shepard Pond.
Secretary, -	Morgan H. Stafford.

It was voted to accept said report and that the

BOSTON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY:

Boston, Massachusetts,
January 25, 1937.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER
FOR THE YEAR ENDING, DECEMBER 31, 1936.

Balance on hand, January 1, 1936, \$617.60

Receipts for the Year;

Annual dues	\$52.00
Initiation fees	6.00
Interest on Bank Balances;	
Suffolk Savings Bank	\$6.17
Provident Inst. for Savings	4.69
Total receipts for the year	<u>\$10.86</u>
	\$68.86

Disbursements for the Year;

Postage	\$ 3.81
Printing;	
Return Cards	12.00
Due Slips	2.50
Membership Cards	5.00
A.N.A. dues, including "Numismatist"	3.00
Expenses of the Secr.	2.00
1 Dinner for guest, A. Roosevelt	1.25
Total expenses for the year	<u>29.56</u>
Gain for the Year	39.30

Balance on hand, December 31, 1936 \$656.90

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Suffolk Savings Bank	\$268.71
Provident Inst. for Savings	386.61
Cash on hand	1.58
	<u>\$656.90</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Walter P. Nichols.
Treasurer

Examined and found
correct January 25, 1937

George W. Wardman

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The Thanks of this Society be extended to our retiring president, Mr. Charles A. Davis, for his untiring efforts in its behalf during his term of office.

There being no further business to come before the Society the meeting was turned over to Mr. Clifford who told of the discovery some years ago by our fellow member, Captain William L. Welby, in an old barn in New Hampshire of an ancient military coat of the period of the American Revolution, to which was attached an original Emblem of the Order of the Purple Heart and the one known, and he read an interesting article on the creation by General Washington of that Order, and some of the extraordinary exploits of certain soldiers of his Army which entitled the recipients to honors and privileges customarily accorded to officers of the highest rank only.

Exhibits: - Mr. Ambrose J. Brown: A Nova Constellation Coin of 1786, an extreme rarity of which but few specimens are known.

Dr. Steinberg: Bullion money of Siam; five pieces of various denominations.

A Lincoln medal by Merriam, 1860, Proof.
12 English Shilling and half-shilling tokens in silver of 1881, 1812, and 1813 in superb condition.
Set of 3 Columbia, So. Car. Commemorative Half Dollars, P.D. & S. mints, uncirculated.

Pattern U.S. 2^d piece with head of Washington on obverse. Proof in bronze, A.W. #405
U.S. large cents, 1829 & 1846, struck after official mutilation of dies, showing ridges on obverse and reverse.
Jackson inauguration medals, second term, 1833, in silver, copper & brass, Proofs.

Morgan H. Stafford, Secretary.

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Secretary be instructed to cast one ballot for the slate named, which was accordingly done and the nominees declared duly elected.

Upon assuming the chair President Nichols submitted a list of collectors of coins and medals residing in and near Boston, and suggested its use as the basis for a systematic and concerted effort to build up our membership.

He spoke of the desirability of having a program committee to have charge of papers for our meetings, and of a reception committee to greet and introduce new members and guests, and left the appointment of such committees in the hands of the Executive Committee.

He spoke, also, in advocacy of advancing the dinner hour for our gatherings from 6:30 to 6:00 o'clock and left the suggestion with the Executive Committee for decision.

The Secretary called attention to the newly inaugurated "Hobby Page" of the Boston Evening Transcript as a regular feature for Friday issues, and stated that in future articles dealing with numismatics, and announcements of interest to our members, would be published from time to time.

Attention was called to the receipt from the Police Department of New York City of an illustrated list of the more important items stolen from the shop of the Dub Netherlands Am. B. in that city some weeks ago and our members were requested to be on the lookout for them.

On motion of Mr. Stafford it was voted; that

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Jackson inauguration medals, second term, 1833, in silver, copper & brass, proofs.

Morgan H. Stafford, Secretary.

February
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The Boston Numismatic Society held its customary dinner and meeting at the Boston City Club, Room 2, on Thursday evening, February 25, 1937, with President Nichols in the chair and other members present as follows: Messrs. Gifford, Davis, Pond, Steinberg, Evanson, Willey, Camel, Prior and Stafford, and as guest Mrs. A. Graham Carey of Cambridge, a total of eleven.

The minutes of the January, 1937, meeting were read and approved.

A communication from Leisure Time Exposition to be held in Boston early in April was read & after a brief discussion and without formal action, it was decided not to accept the opportunity offered for space, and the Secretary was requested to so inform the Exposition named.

The Secretary displayed and distributed the new application blanks.

The President spoke of the serious illness of former President Gardner and the Secretary was requested to write a note of sympathy & the Society's hope for an early and complete recovery.

The President announced that he would not be present at the March meeting because of absence from the city and announced as speaker for the April meeting Mr. Harry Parker, of the Federal Detection Service, who would talk on incidents of numismatic interest connected with his work.

He brought to the attention of the Society a suggestion made by Mr. Chester C. Spring of the Boston City Club Philatelic Group that this Society and said group

held a joint meeting in April. On motion of Mr. Gifford it was voted to adopt said suggestion and make suitable preparations for the joint meeting in question.

On motion of Mr. Gifford it was voted: That the Society try out for our March, April, and May meetings the proposed plan of holding our dinner at a round table in the main dining room of the Boston City Club, meals to be served a la carte, later adjourning to a private room for our meeting.

The President read a carefully prepared record of the activity in the Society of each of our living past presidents and presented as beautifully designed medals in silver, as a personal gift, to Messrs. Gifford, Willey, and Davis, each of whom expressed his appreciation and surprise at this unexpected token of the President's regard.

There being no further business to come before the Society, the meeting was turned over to Mr. A. Graham Carey, our guest speaker, who read a highly interesting, instructive, and suggestive paper on "The Problem of More Beautiful Coins" in which he discussed the various factors that enter into the need for, and the designing of, metallic currency. A cordial vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Carey for his contribution to the evening.

Mr. Pond spoke interestingly of the casting of coins from church bells and other materials during our dry sieges and during the French Revolution.

Exhibits: Dr. Steinberg; An assortment of rare and unusual U.S. pattern pieces; political tokens; Commemoratives, and Vermont Cents.

Morgan H. Stafford
Secretary.

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The Boston Numismatic Society held its monthly dinner in the Main Dining Room of the Boston City Club, after which the members adjourned to Room M. for its regular business meeting. Those present were Vice President Richard Blakey who presided in the absence of President Nichols, and Messrs. Davis, Dalton, Prior, Evanson, Lowenstein, Schuchmacher, Stafford, and as guests, Messrs. Archibald B. Roosevelt, Jr. and — Putnam, a total of ten.

The minutes of the meeting held March 29, 1937 were read and accepted.

Those present expressed themselves as well satisfied with the experiment of dining in the Main Dining Room of the Boston City Club rather than in a private room.

A letter from Mr. L. W. Hoffecker, Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the American Numismatic Association, dated March 2, 1937, was read, in which attention was called to Senate Bill 1628 to regulate the issuance of commemorative coins in a manner calculated to do away with the abuses common under the present system of their coinage and distribution. Considerable discussion followed, favoring the proposed bill and it was

Voted: That the Boston Numismatic Society wishes to go on record in support of Senate Bill 1628 and that the Secretary be instructed to so inform the two Senators from Massachusetts.

An application for membership was received from Mr. Henry J. Wenzelberger, and referred to the Membership Committee.

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There being no further business the meeting was adjourned and the members were treated to an exceptionally interesting talk by our guest, Mr. Archibald B. Roosevelt, Jr. on Anglo-Saxon Coinage, illustrated by a fine selection of Anglo-Saxon, Gothic, and other coins of that period.*

Exhibits: - Mr. Roosevelt, the selection of Anglo-Saxon and other coins referred to above.

Mr. Stafford: Aureus of Augustus, AUGUSTUS below his bare head, right: - P. SIGNIS RECEPTIS, Capricorn. Gold pieces of Theophilus and Heraclius, of Byzantium.

* A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Roosevelt for his instruction and interesting talk and exhibits.

Morgan H. Stafford,
Secretary.

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^{on April 26, 1937}
The Boston Numismatic Society held a joint meeting with the Stamp Group of the Boston City Club. at the City Club. Members and guests gathering at a long table in the Main Dining Room, and subsequently in Room C. for its business meeting and entertainment features. Members present were: President Nichols in the Chair, and Messrs. Bond, Davis, Coarsow, Prior, Willey, Lowen-
Stano, Schuchmacher, Blaney, Wenzelberger, Steinberg & Stafford. Our guests, twelve in number, included the speaker of the evening, Mr. Arthur J. B. Cartier, Assistant District Attorney of the United States, and eleven members of the Stamp Group, headed by their president, Mr. Chester C. Spring. The total number present was twenty-two.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved.

The application for membership of Mr. Henry J. Wenzelberger was balloted upon and he was unanimously elected.

Mr. Stafford read a postal from our fellow member, Mr. Gifford, at present in Europe, written at Venice, in which he conveyed his greeting to his associates in the Club, and briefly outlined his projected tour which is to include London and the Coronation on May 12th.

The President reported the convalescence of our former President, George W. Boardner, who is slowly recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

The President announced that it was hoped to have as our principal guest at the May meeting, Mr. J. James Clarke, President of the American

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Numismatic Association, at which time other coin clubs of New England would be invited to join with us.

^{at Spring}
President Nichols extended a cordial greeting to our guests, and President Nichols of the Stamp Group responded expressing their pleasure at being present. The several meeting points of numismatics and philately were brought out in an interesting manner.

Our President presented by name the members of our Society and Spring likewise presented the members of the philatelic group. He then introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. Arthur J. Cartier, who spoke on "Counterfeiting in United States Money and Stamps" relating some of the methods employed by counterfeiters and stamp washers, and the splendid detective work done by the Secret Service men, with typical instances which had come under his observations in the line of duty as Assistant District Attorney of the United States in charge of prosecuting such cases. A rousing vote of thanks was given Mr. Cartier for his exceedingly interesting and instructive talk.

It was the consensus of opinion that this joint meeting had been a pronounced success and it was agreed, informally, that similar gatherings should be held from time to time.

There being nothing further in the way of business to come before the meeting, & discussion having been concluded, it was declared adjourned.

Exhibits were as follows:-

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Dr. Steinberg:-
Assortment of US. Encased postage stamps,
consisting of thirty two pieces, including
some rarities.

1791 Washington Cents, including Eagle
reverses.

US. patterns, 1¢ to 20¢.

Morgan A. Stafford
Secretary.

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The Boston Numismatic Society and the Coin Club of
Rhode Island held a joint meeting at the Boston City
Club, on Monday Evening, May 24, 1937. Our
members present were Messrs. Nichols, President;
W. Bond, Schuchmacher, Prior, Lawrentson, Davis,
Evenson, Steinberg, Wardner, & Stafford. Our
guests numbered nine, including Mr. J. James
Clarke, President of the American Numismatic Assoc-
iation, and eight members of the Coin Club of Rhode
Island.

Our President extended to our guests the cordial
greetings of the Society and presented our members
individually, and Mr. Horace M. Grant leading
the Rhode Island contingent followed with
introductions of his group.

The present plan of holding our dinners in the
Main Dining Room of the City Club was discussed
and the consensus of opinion was that the former
plan of holding both dinner and meeting in
a private dining room was preferable, and
without a formal vote it was decided to
return to it, beginning with the September meeting.

The minutes of the April meeting were read and
approved.

The Secretary read a most interesting letter from
Mr. Gifford now traveling in Europe in which he
related most interestingly his experiences, numis-
matically and otherwise while abroad and the
President announced that at the September meeting
Mr. Gifford would tell about his tour.

Mr. Schuchmacher spoke of a possible arrangement
for broadcasts of a numismatic nature, to start

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in the Fall and to be conducted without cost to the Society.

The President told of the inception of this joint meeting and introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. Clarke, who addressed the Society on the affairs of the American Numismatic Association, dealing particularly with its finances then marked improvement during recent months; the proposed revision of the Constitution and By-Laws; and other Association matters of interest to its members.

Mr. Grant, of the Providence group, followed, speaking briefly of the pleasure he and his Rhode Island Associates felt in attending this meeting, and expressing the hope that a return visit would be paid by this Society in the Fall. He closed by urging Mr. Clark to run again for the Presidency of the American Numismatic Association in spite of his announced determination not to do so.

President Nichols spoke of the splendid work done by Mr. Clarke during his incumbency of the Office of President and also urged him to be a candidate again at the forthcoming Convention.

Mr. Pond addressed the Society briefly in advocacy of revising Constitution and by-laws, and suggested that they include provisions stipulating qualifications in the matter of investing the funds of the Association. There being no further business the meeting

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was declared adjourned, the Society to meet again on September 27th.

Exhibits:-

Mr. Clarke's -
Mr. Horace M. Grant, of Providence:-
A superb assortment of gold coins of large denominations of the United States and foreign countries, many of them centuries old. Mr. Grant -
An especially fine line of New England Shillings; and Pine Tree Silver of all denominations - many varieties, from two-pence to shilling pieces. And many exceptionally fine and rare coins of various countries and ages, ancient, medieval & modern.

Dr. Steimborg:- Oak and Pine Tree Shilling and three-pence pieces; Uncirculated Cents of 1787 and 1788; Massachusetts notes of 1780; a rare William Pitt medal, with his bust and "LIBERTATIS VINDEX", 1766 (Potts #521)

Mr. Stafford: Rare Colonial currency of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, and New York, carrying dates from 1737 down.

Mr. Grant of Providence very generously presented each member of the Boston Numismatic Society with three medals encased in holders, commemorating the Landing of Roger Williams in 1636, and a copy of the rare Woodhouse medal of Rhode Island, 1779.

Morgan H. Stafford
Secretary.

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The Boston Numismatic Society held its monthly dinner and business meeting in Room O, Boston City Club, on Monday evening, September 27, 1937, with the following members present: President Nichols, and Messrs. Pond, Gifford, Steinberg, Ambrose, Brown, Crouson, Urazelberger, Schuchmacher, Blauy, and Stafford, and as guest Mr. Dock of New York.

The minutes of the meeting held May 24, 1937 were read and accepted.

The President brought up for attention the following matters:

1. The advisability of bringing out a new and revised Edition of the Society's Booklet containing its Constitution, By-laws, Charter, and List of Members, and requested the members to give it careful thought and be prepared to take action thereon at a future meeting.

2. The problem of increasing our membership which has been sadly depleted during the past year or so in consequence of deaths and resignations, without offsetting additions. He suggested the advisability of using the list of coin collectors in the Metropolitan Area, as a basis for circularization, and asked for discussion as to the most suitable form of approach. After discussing the matter, it was:

Voted, That a circular letter be worked up and sent to the names on the list referred to, calling attention to this Society.

The President suggested that at the October meeting members not only bring exhibits but tell what caused them to take up numismatics as their hobby.

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The President reported briefly on the recent Convention of the American Numismatic Society, at Washington, which he attended as a delegate from this Society.

The meeting was then turned over to Mr. Gifford who told in a most interesting manner of his European trip of last summer, during which he visited thirteen countries, from Italy and Greece, to the North Cape, including London, The Coronation, and the great Naval Review which followed the latter. Interspersed with his many rare experiences were a number of a numismatic nature, particularly in connection with his specialty of collecting military medals, insignia, and foreign orders. He was given a rising and rousing vote of thanks for his talk.

The business of the evening having been concluded the meeting was declared adjourned until October 25th, and the following exhibits were displayed:-

Mr. Gifford:- a fine assortment of Coronation medals in silver and bronze, and several unusual and thus far unidentified Chinese military medals.

Dr. Steinberg:- Pattern silver pieces of 1867 and 1868; gold pieces of Austria, Holland, and Japan; Clark, Gruber & Co. ten and twenty dollar pieces in copper; and an assortment of recent Commemorative Half Dollars.

Mr. Pond:- Crown, or 6 livers piece, of Louis XV of France, 1769; Peso. Ferdinand VII of Spain, 1815, Madrid Mint; head crowned signifying final victory in the Napoleonic Wars; Peso. or 5 Reales piece, of Alfonso XIII, 1891, with baby head of king; Mexican peso or dollar, 1903, old, large style, "902.7 fine".

Mr. Stafford: The so called Shanghai dollars of Sun Yat-sen, with and without the rising sun and the three birds in slight over a junk; a British military cross; silver coins of Java, Palembang, and Agal, of small denominations, one of 1/1500 cur, said to be the lowest value ever coined.

Morgan Stafford, Secretary.

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The Boston Numismatic Society dined and held its customary monthly business meeting in Room O, Boston City Club, on Monday evening, October 25, 1937, with the following members present: - President Nichols, and Messrs. Wood, Gifford, Pond, Stumberg, Wardner, Roddow, Willey, Wenzelberger, Prior, Schuhmacher, Blaney, Dewing, Eauson, and Stafford, a total of fifteen.

The President greeted those of our members present who by reason of absence from town or other wise had been unable to attend recent meetings.

The minutes of the meeting held September 27, 1937 were read and accepted.

The matter of the proposed new hand-book of the Society was again brought up and discussed pro and con, but it was decided, without taking formal action to that end, to send a questionnaire to members for the purpose of developing a comprehensive and satisfactory plan for its publication.

A communication from Leisure Time Show tendering free space for an exhibit by the Society at its forthcoming Exhibition, to be held late in November was read and discussed generally. Upon motion of Capt. Willey, duly seconded, it was voted: - "That the offer of Leisure Time Show for free space at its forthcoming exhibition be declined with thanks."

It was announced that at the next meeting of the Society to be held November 29th, Prof. Arthur S. Dewing would tell of his experiences in Greece during recent months, where he collected a num-

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ber of interesting coins, and in Africa where he photographed lions and other wild life.

The routine business of the evening having been concluded, the meeting was turned over to the members individually, each being called upon to relate the circumstances or causes which started him on the numismatic path. One member told humorously of having entered the collecting field by swallowing a string of gold dollars, which a very small infant, and of this having to "cough up" this collection as a result of various and sundry shocks and thumps; but he still collects coins and during years of visiting foreign ports on naval vessels has accumulated a large collection. Another told of having found several early U.S. cents in the closet of an ancient house in Philadelphia, about to be demolished, supposedly, but subsequently moved and preserved as a memorial, they forming the nucleus of a collection of cents since grown to sizable proportions. It was the opinion of all that the evening had been both instructive and entertaining.

Exhibits: - Dr. Stumberg - 6 Pattern U.S. Cents of 1851-1854, No. 1855; two sets of medals issued at the Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia in 1876, large size, in silver, brass & copper; & various overstruck Canadian tokens. Mr. Stafford - a certificate of membership in the American Numismatic Association, No. 124, issued to him under date of "Waltham, Mass., November 14, 1892," signed by George F. Heath, Pres., and O. W. Page, Secy. Unfortunately his old number was forgotten through temporary withdrawal from the Association.

Morgan H. Stafford,
Secretary.

BOSTON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
TREASURER'S REPORT
1937

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand, beginning of year	\$656.90	
Dues received, 1-1936 (overdue) @ \$2.	2.00	
-27- 1937	54.00	
Entrance fees - 1	3.00	
Interest on deposits - Suffolk Sav. Bank	6.33	
Provident Institute for Savings	9.69	
	<u>\$731.92</u>	\$731.92

EXPENDITURES

Annual dinner for 1937	\$20.00	
Entertainment of speakers and guests and private room fees	23.23	
1937 dues American Numismatic Asso.	3.00	
Secretarial Expenses, printing & postage	24.61	
	<u>\$70.84</u>	\$70.84

Balance on hand Dec. 27, 1937

\$661.08

Suffolk Savings Bank Acct. #440189	\$259.04	
Provident Institute for Savings, Acct. #516164	399.30	
Cash	2.74	
	<u>\$661.08</u>	

Examined and Approved
J. H. Prior
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December 27, 1937. expressed his regrets in not being able to be a candidate again because of business requiring him to be out of the State for several months.

Mr. Gifford, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, commented upon the difficulty entailed in making up a slate, and presented the following nominations of officers for the ensuing year, ending December 31, 1938:

President	Mr. Shepard Pond
Vice-Pres. and Curator	Mr. Morgan H. Stafford
Treasurer	Mr. Fred W. Prior
Secretary	Mr. Saul Steinberg

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The Boston Numismatic Society held its monthly dinner and business meeting in Room O, Boston City Club, on Monday, November 29, 1937. The following members were present:-

President Nichols, and Messrs. Dodson, Pond, Lowman, Blaney, Steinberg, Evanson, Boardman, Downing, Prior, Schuhmacher, Willey and Stafford. also as guest, Mr. Robert Crand.

The minutes of the meeting held October 25 last were read and accepted.

The President read a copy of a circular letter which he had sent to a list of prospective members and commented on the meagre response, only a few of those addressed taking the trouble to reply and very few showing evidence of interest in the Society.

One application for membership was received, from Mr. Raymond Burke, of 284 Adams Street, Quincy. The President appointed as a Committee to investigate and report, Messrs. Blaney, Prior, and Schuhmacher.

December 27th was set as the date of the next meeting, and that as no definite date had been fixed by our By-laws for the Annual Meeting it would be held at that time unless objected to. Hearing no objections he announced definitely that this year the Annual Meeting would be held immediately after our regular monthly business meeting, in December, instead of in January as the custom has been for many years past.

The President appointed as a Nominating Committee, to report at the Annual Meeting in December, the following: Messrs. Gifford (Chairman), Steinberg, and Nichols.

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Mr. Blaney raised the question of recruiting at Harvard and expressed the opinion that our membership might be increased to a substantial degree thereby. An interesting discussion as to the methods, which might be advantageously pursued, followed, without formal action it was the sense of the meeting that this suggestion was an excellent one, & should be attempted. No definite plan of action being determined upon, however.

Having completed the routine business of the evening the meeting was turned over to Prof. Dewing who gave an extremely interesting and illuminating account of his recent travels in Central Africa which he visited for the purpose of studying and photographing its wild life, especially leopards, elephants, etc. which good fortune enabled him to observe and photograph at close range as evidenced by numerous excellent snap shots. He then told of his visit to Sicily where he was fortunate in procuring some very rare silver pieces of Syracuse including a fine example of the dekadrachm of that ancient city, and of Carthage. He was accorded a rising and rousing vote of thanks for his talk & the privilege of seeing his exhibits.

Exhibits: - Prof. Dewing - Silver pieces of Syracuse and Carthage of great rarity and beauty as above mentioned.
Dr. Steinhilber - Tokugawa series of Confederate States, "No Submission to the North"; rare Boston 50c cards; Assortment of U.S. Dollars 1795 to 1803 incl.; half dollars, 1794 to 1807 inclusive.
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The Secretary read the minutes of the November meeting which were accepted.

Pres. Nichols moved, and it was seconded and unanimously voted to have the Annual Dinner at the December meeting thereby coinciding with the Annual Meeting, and that the Society pay for the dinners served at this meeting.

The Committee of Investigation reported favorably on the application of Mr. ROYDON BURKE of 284 Adams Street, Quincy, Mass., and he was unanimously elected to membership.

The Annual Committee Reports were as follows:

Secretary Stafford reported that progress was being made in the revision of the By-Laws. He also reported a net increase of one (1) in membership for the year. The election to membership of Mr. Burke made an increase of two (2).

The Annual Report of the Treasurer, Mr. Pond, together with the Certification of the Auditor, Mr. Prior, was read, accepted and duly placed on file. The report showed the Treasury to be in excellent condition with an increase over the previous year.

The Annual Report of the Vice-President and Curator, Mr. Blaney, revealing several acquisitions to the Society's library and Cabinet, was read and accepted.

The retiring President, Mr. Nichols, expressed his pleasure in having served as President for the past year and gave a résumé of the constructive measures undertaken for the advancement of the Society during his tenure of office. He also

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Upon assuming the Chair, President Pond briefly reviewed some of the past activities of the Society, expressed his desire for the continuation of constructive measures, and pledged his best efforts as President.

The members were informed that our congenial fellow-member, Lieut. Oscar W. Hoolson of the U. S. S. Vincennes was ordered to Pacific waters for duty.

The regular business of the meeting having been concluded, the Speaker of the evening, and very appropriate for the occasion, was our newly-elected President, Mr. Pond. The topic being, "Sidelights On French Numismatics." Pres. Pond at the outset stated that he would speak more or less informally. Proceeding with his talk, he spoke at length on the various phases of the French coinage, tracing its development, the locations and changes of the several mints, the methods of minting, the changes in value from time to time, the events which necessitated them, reciting the social, historical and political background relating to same. Of particular interest were his remarks concerning the Napoleonic and Revolutionary periods. In connection with his talk, Pres. Pond gave a constructive criticism relative to an article on a phase of the French coinage which had recently appeared in "The Numismatist".

He cited numerous factual errors therein and had corresponded with Mr. Hufferd, the Editor of "The Numismatist" regarding the discrepancies.

Pres. Pond stressed the importance of avoiding errors of fact, particularly when having an article put in print, thereby preventing the dissemination of erroneous information, which might reflect upon the accuracy and numismatic standing of the journal publishing them.

Pres. Pond's entire talk showed considerable research,

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a thorough knowledge of his subject, and was delivered in an interesting and entertaining manner. At the conclusion, he was given a vote of thanks by the members for his excellent talk.

It was then voted to adjourn.

Exhibits:

Mr. Blaney: 1901-O mint half dollar showing a crescent-shaped defect in planchet on both obverse and reverse.

Mr. Evanson: A tray of half dimes in uncirculated and proof condition; a tray of uncirculated Indian Head cents.

Mr. Lowenstam: Massachusetts notes of 1780. Seven and twenty dollars, uncanceled, in extremely fine condition.

Mr. Davis: Group pictures of members attending the A. N. A. conventions held at Columbus, Ohio, 1907, and Philadelphia, Penn., 1908.

Mr. Steinberg: Ten (10) varieties of dollar sized coins of France from 1735 to 1876; $\frac{1}{2}$ Ecu of 1649; $\frac{1}{8}$ Ecu of 1787. Thirty (30) other pieces of various types and denominations, ranging from $\frac{1}{4}$ franc to 10 francs.

Proof sets (U.S.) of 1937.

Paul Steinberg, M.D.
Secretary.

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The Boston Numismatic Society held its regular monthly meeting and dinner at the Boston City Club, Boston on Monday evening, January 31, 1938, with Pres. Pond presiding and a total of nine (9) members present as follows: Messrs. Stafford, Gifford, Davis, Wormser, Blaney, Evanson, Burke, and Steinberg.

The minutes of the December meeting were read and accepted. Pres. Pond read an interesting letter from Lieut. Dodson of the U.S.S. Vincennes, describing in detail his recent trip from the east coast, through the Panama Canal, Canal Zone, to his destination at Long Beach, California.

Mr. Stafford called attention to the invitation extended to the Society by Mr. Chester Spring of the Philatelic Group of the Boston City Club for a joint dinner with their speaker. Pres. Pond informed the members that arrangements would be completed and that they would be notified of the date.

Mr. Gifford arose to seek information relative to the progress of the revision of the By-Laws and the body was informed by the President that he would endeavor to get in touch with Mr. Nichols to determine what plans had been made for the printing of the revised By-Laws.

Pres. Pond then gave an introductory, short talk on the late Howland Wood, reciting the untiring efforts extended by Mr. Wood for the advancement of the Society, especially emphasizing the prime part he played in the renaissance of the Society in 1906, and of his ever-willingness and readiness to impart of his vast numismatic knowledge to the members. He then read a "Memorial to Howland Wood" which he had written and a motion was made by Mr. Steinberg, seconded by Mr. Gifford, and passed by the body, to incorporate the Memorial in the permanent records as a tribute to Mr. Wood and that a copy be sent to Mrs. Wood.

All present rose and observed a brief period of silence as a tribute to the memory of our departed associate.

The president then introduced the Speaker for the evening, Mr. Moritz Wormser, who had been in close association with Mr. Wood in New York. Mr. Wormser expressed his great pleasure in meeting again with the members, and then

informally, proceeded with a detailed, lengthy talk on "Howland Wood."

He related his early years, mentioning his New England family background and the beginning of his interest in numismatics as a boy as the results of coins given him by his grandfather who gathered them from foreign ports in his travels as a sea-faring man, going in through his student days and graduation from Brown University, his interest in photoengraving, his association with Mr. Marvin, Editor of the Journal of the American Numismatic Archaeological Society, his marriage to Mr. Marvin's daughter, and his family life.

Continuing, he told of his associations and the notable work he had done for the advancement of numismatics—serving as associate editor and editor for the outstanding numismatic journals, as secretary of the A. N. A. (1905-1909), Governor and Chairman of the Board (1907-1912), of his activities and secretarship of the Boston Numismatic Society (1908-1912), of his presidency of the New York Numismatic Club and the striking of a medal in his honor, and as curator since 1913 of the A. N. Society of New York, relating in detail his energetic application, personal associations, numerous books, publications, writings, and talks in numismatics which resulted in an increased membership in numismatic societies.

He also told of his artistic talent in designing and drawing and described sketches he had made, of his interest in other fields of collecting, notably stamps and tropical fish; but "Numismatics" was his principal hobby and he was constantly acquiring knowledge and delving into the intricacies relative to it. By self-application he mastered several foreign languages including such difficult Oriental languages as Arabic and Chinese and became the authority on Oriental and Mohammedan coinage, in addition to his understanding knowledge in all series of coinage.

From time to time, speaking with great feeling, Mr. Wormser related more or less personal events of Mr. Wood which gave one an insight to his fine character and an excellent word-picture of the true man—calm,

philosophical, well-balanced, humane, and withal a keen sense of humor. He spoke of the great loss to numismatics in the passing of our beloved associate, Howland Wood.

Pres. Pond spoke a few words on Mr. Wormser's eulogy to Howland Wood.

Mr. Stafford told of tracing Mr. Wood's ancestry to early Colonial days.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Exhibits:

Mr. Evanson: A tray of proof and uncirculated Indian head cents including many scarce dates. A Lexington Concord Medal and a medal of Massachusetts Institute of Technology. A very fine Tugio cent. A three cent piece of 1872 of regular die but apparently not struck in nickel or in aluminum as listed in Adams-Woodin.

Mr. Stafford: An uncommon bronze Washington medal, "Late President of the United States of America".

Mr. Blaney: A large silver medal depicting railroad scene, commemorating the building of the Trans-Andean Railroad (by Henry Meiggs) 1870.

Mr. Davis: Group pictures showing Howland Wood at A. N. A. conventions.

Mr. Wormser: Gold octodrachm and silver tetradrachm of Arsinoe II; Silver tetradrachm of Ptolemy IV; Aureus - gens Vibia; Aureus - Julius Caesar and two very fine portrait denarii; Solidi of Irene, Theophilus, Marcianus, and John I Zimisces; Russia - Peter the Great, 1/2 Ruble gold; Elizabeth, Imperatrix; Nicholas I - pattern 10 rubles; Alexander I and Nicholas I portrait pattern rubles in silver.

Mr. S. Steinberg: An assortment of Hard Times Tokens including many rare varieties and several not listed in Low.

Sam Steinberg,
Secretary

MEMORIAL TO HOWLAND WOOD

BY

SHEPARD POND
BOSTON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

The death of Howland Wood on January 5th, 1938 was the hardest blow the science of Numismatics in America has had to bear for many years. Occupying as he did a position of outstanding prominence in numismatic circles - for some twenty-five years Curator of the American Numismatic Society's Museum in New York - Mr. Wood had become known to, and respected by, countless societies all over the world.

While his special field of study and research lay in the Near and Far East, - for which he fitted himself by the study of Arabic, Persian, Chinese and other oriental languages - he possessed an encyclopedic knowledge of coins at large unequalled in this country. Students of such attainments are rare indeed and he will be greatly missed.

For Howland Wood we of the Boston Numismatic Society have always had an especial feeling, and the realization that we owed him a debt of gratitude for the renaissance of our Society in 1906 when, reduced to a membership of three and having divested itself of its collection and library, it appeared doomed to extinction. From that date he was most actively interested in our organization, holding the office of Secretary from 1908 to 1913 when he went to New York to become Curator of the American Numismatic Society.

Mr. Wood's interest in Boston affairs continued undiminished and hardly a year passed without his attendance at at least one meeting. The mere word that, "Howland Wood will be here", was sufficient to ensure a large gathering and the certainty of an interesting and stimulating meeting. His memory and an appreciation of his high attainments will last for many years with numismatists throughout the world, - and nowhere be more cherished than with his old colleagues of the Boston Numismatic Society.



Howland Wood.

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HOWLAND WOOD.

After an illness of only two days of pneumonia, Howland Wood, curator of the American Numismatic Society, New York City, died at his home, 137-17 Franklin avenue, Flushing, Queens, N. Y., on January 4. He was 60 years old. He was born in New Bedford, Mass., May 30, 1877, and was the son of George Howland Wood and Elizabeth A. Doane Wood. He was descended from Quaker stock and his mother was distantly related to Sir John Franklin, the celebrated Arctic explorer. He grew up and lived in Providence, R. I., until 1900, when he was graduated from Brown University with the degree of bachelor of arts. After graduation he moved to Boston, where he lived until 1913.

In the latter year he was invited by the American Numismatic Society to come to New York and become curator of its collection of coins and medals, which he accepted, and which position he held at the time of his death.

He became a member of the American Numismatic Association in 1900, and until 1913 was one of its most active members. In 1904 he was elected General Secretary at the St. Louis convention and served until 1909, when he became Chairman of the Board of Governors, which office he held until 1912. In 1908, upon the death of Dr. George F. Heath, founder and editor of *The Numismatist*, Mr. Wood became associate editor of the magazine, with Farran Zerbe. In 1909 he became an assistant editor with Mr. Zerbe, and continued until 1913 with Mr. Zerbe, A. R. Frey and Edgar H. Adams as editors.

He was editor of the *American Journal of Numismatics* from 1910 to 1920, and associate editor and editor of *Numismatic Notes and Monographs* since 1920.

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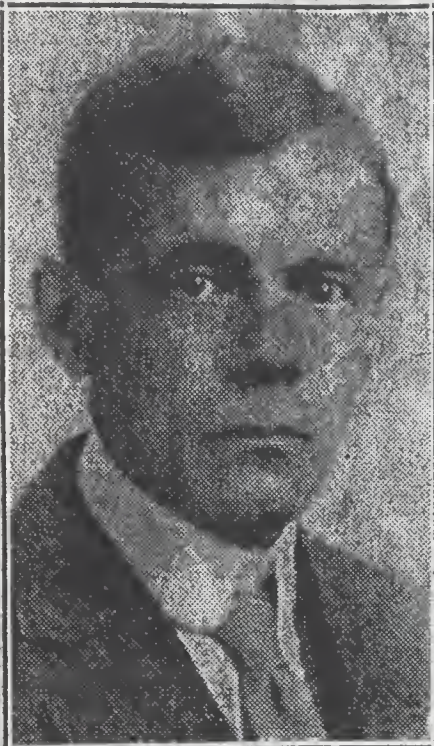
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Surviving are his widow, the former Elizabeth Eliot Marvin, of Brookline, Mass., and two daughters, Mrs. Charles E. Hall, Jr., and Miss Sylvia H. Wood.

The funeral was held on Thursday afternoon, January 6, and was attended by a large number of the numismatic fraternity from Greater New York. Previous to the principal services at St. George's Protestant Episcopal Church, Flushing, there was a brief service at the home. The body was removed for cremation at the French Pond Crematory, Maspeth, Long Island.

Wed. Jan. 5, 1938
HERALD TRIBUNE,

An Authority on Coins



Howland Wood

Howland Wood, Numismatist, Is Dead at 60

Curator of the American Numismatic Society Since '13; Doubled Collection

Howland Wood, curator of the American Numismatic Society, 156th Street and Broadway, died yesterday at his home at 137-17 Franklin Avenue, Flushing, Queens, after a brief illness. He was sixty years old. Considered one of the world's outstanding numismatists, Mr. Wood had been identified with the study of coins since he was graduated from Brown University in 1900. He was secretary of the American Numismatics Association from 1905 to 1909 and chairman of the board of governors from 1909 to 1912. He also edited several numismatic publications during that period.

In 1913 he became curator of the two-story classical building which houses the collection of the American Numismatic Society, the largest collection of coins, medals and plaques in the United States and one of the largest in the world. Under his guidance the collection more than doubled, until there are now about 200,000 pieces in it.

Mr. Wood's special interest was Oriental coins, on which he was a world authority. During the World War he arranged an exhibition of military insignia which were afterward purchased by the Smithsonian Institution. His knowledge of American commemorative coins caused the capture of a skillful forger, the only such forger ever heard of in the United States. Mr. Wood discovered that there were far too many of certain types of 50-cent pieces in circulation, considering the original supply and expressed his suspicions to Secret Service agents who later ran down the counterfeiter.

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Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Marvin Wood, and two daughters, Mrs. Charles E. Hall Jr. and Miss Sylvia H. Wood. Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. tomorrow at St. George's Episcopal Church, 661 East 219th Street, Flushing.

HOWLAND WOOD, CURATOR, DEAD

NEW YORK, Jan. 4 (AP)—Howland Wood, 60, curator of the American Numismatic Museum of New York and known to coin collectors in many parts of the world, died today after a brief illness.

Wood, born in New Bedford, Mass., and graduated from Brown University in 1900, became curator of the museum in 1913.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Marvin Wood, and two daughters, Mrs. Charles E. Hall Jr. and Miss Sylvia Howland Wood.

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Howland Wood, 60, Numismatic Expert

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Shepard Pond, president of the American Numismatic Society said: "Mr. Wood's passing is a real loss to coin collectors and students of numismatics. He was respected in Europe as much as in America."

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Charge of Collections of Numismatic Society Here—
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EXPERT ON EASTERN COINS

Known for Writings on His Specialty—Helped Edit Several Publications

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His publications included "Coinage of Siam and Its Dependencies," "Catalogue of United States and Colonial Coins," "Coinage of the West Indies," "Mexican Revolutionary Coinage," "Commemorative Coinage of the United States," "Coinage of the Mexican Revolutionists," and "The Gampola Lari Hoard."

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At the dinner, which was held in the main dining room, Pres. Chester Spring of the Philatelic Group and Pres. Shepard Pond of the Boston Numismatic Society, introduced the members of their respective groups, and an informal general discussion on stamps and coins followed.

After the dinner both groups adjourned to Room C for business meetings. Pres. Spring expressed his pleasure in having the Boston Numismatic Society as guests and commented upon the joint dinner and meeting held last year when the Philatelic Group were guests of the Society. A short business meeting of the Philatelic Group was held and the meeting was turned over to Pres. Pond who thanked the Philatelic Group for their invitation on behalf of the Society. Owing to the fact that this was not the Society's regular meeting night, several members were unable to attend because of previous engagements. Pres. Pond called the meeting to order with six (6) members present: Messrs. Stafford, Davis, Wardner, Blaney, and Steinberg.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

Pres. Pond informed the members of the death of Mr. Henry J. Wenzelberger, of Malden, Mass. and after a short talk on Mr. Wenzelberger, all present rose and stood in silence for a brief period as a tribute to our departed associate. Mr. Wenzelberger was a member of the Philatelic Group also.

The president then read two letters from Mrs. Homeland Wood in which she expressed her thanks to the Boston Numismatic Society for the beautiful floral piece sent by the Society and for the Resolutions and Memorial to Homeland Wood

passed at a previous meeting.

A communication was read from our fellow-member, Lt. Hodson, U.S.N., now at Long Beach, California, announcing the birth of a son.

No new business was taken up as the members were eager to hear the Speaker of the evening and it was voted to adjourn.

Pres. Spring introduced the Speaker, Reverend Abbott Peterson who gave an informal but very interesting and entertaining discourse on United States stamps. In conjunction with his talk he exhibited three albums of United States stamps and covers which included many interesting and rare items beginning with the first issues. At the conclusion, Pres. Pond thanked the Reverend in behalf of the Society. Then followed a general discussion relative to the stamps exhibited and the members availed themselves of the opportunity to examine the collection.

Exhibits:

Philatelic Group:

Rev. Abbott Peterson: Three large volumes of rare United States stamps and covers, including many varieties in superb condition.

Boston Numismatic Society:

Mr. Stafford: Large bronzes of Faustina, Livia and Vespasian. An old Indian State coin.

Mr. Steinberg: United States Cents of 1793: Nine (9) varieties of wreath, chain and liberty cap types.

Saul Steinberg,
Secretary.

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Transcript
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Deaths

Wenzelberger, Philatelist, at Malden Home

Funeral for Exhibitor and
Collector Will Be
Held Wednesday

Henry J. Wenzelberger, nationally known philatelist, died yesterday at his home, 21 High street, Malden, after an illness of several months. He was sixty-three.

Funeral services will be at 3 P.M. Wednesday at the residence.

Mr. Wenzelberger was well known throughout New England for his stamp exhibitions and talks to collectors and societies.

Born in Philadelphia he came to Boston in 1920. He was connected with the Lowell & Hall Company, and in 1928 became manager of the Hub Postage Stamp Company, Inc. He had been a resident of Arlington for sixteen years, moving to Malden last June.

Mr. Wenzelberger was former president of the Boston Philatelic Society, Inc., director, National Philatelic Exhibition of the American Philatelic Society in Boston in 1930; former vice president and treasurer, Suburban Stamp and Curio Club; former vice president, Metropolitan Philatelic Society; founder, Central New England Stamp Clubs Association; and former director, United Stamp Societies. He was a member of W. K. Bray Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Hattboro, N. J.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Estella Wenzelberger; a daughter, Ruth E.; a son, Charles F.; his mother, Mrs. Mary D. Wenzelberger; and four brothers, Elwood of Plainfield, N. J., Edward of Easton, Pa., Charles of Merchantville, N. J., and Frank Wenzelberger of Pennsgrove, N. J.

H. J. WENZELBERGER

Funeral services for Henry J. Wenzelberger, widely-known philatelist, who died Sunday will be tomorrow afternoon at his residence, 21 High street, Malden.

Born in Philadelphia, 63 years ago, he moved to Boston in 1920, and eight years later became manager of the Hub Postage Stamp, Inc. He had been a resident of Arlington for 16 years and moved to Malden last June.

Mr. Wenzelberger was formerly president of the Boston Philatelic Society, Inc., a director of National Philatelic Exhibition of the American Philatelic Society in Boston in 1930, and was an officer of the Metropolitan Philatelic Society and United Stamp Societies.

Surviving him are his widow, Mrs. Estella Wenzelberger, a daughter, Ruth E., a son, Charles F., his mother, Mrs. Mary D. Wenzelberger and four brothers.

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HENRY J. WENZELBERGER

N.Y. TIMES Feb 16 1938

Bostonian Was Leader in Many
Philatelic Societies

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.
BOSTON, Feb. 14.—Henry J.

Wenzelberger, philatelist, died yesterday at his home, 21 High Street, Malden, after an illness of several months. He was 63 years old.

Born in Philadelphia, he came to Boston in 1920. He was connected with the Lowell & Hall Company, and in 1928 became manager of the Hub Postage Stamp Company, Inc.

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March
28,
1938.

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The Boston Numismatic Society held its regular monthly meeting and dinner at the Boston City Club, Room C, on Monday evening, March 28, 1938. Pres. Pond in the chair. Members present: Messrs. Gifford, Willey, Davis, Stafford, Wardner, Blaney, Nichols, Evanson, Burke and Steinberg. Total: 11. Mr. Joseph B. Stack of New York attended as a visitor.

The minutes of the January and February meetings were read and accepted.

Mr. Stafford spoke briefly on the Trans-Andean Railroad medal which Mr. Blaney exhibited at a previous meeting relating the association of Thorndike with Meiggs in the building of the railroad in 1870.

Pres. Pond exhibited and commented favorably on the new book "Coin Collecting" by Joseph Coffin.

After a general discussion, a motion was made by Capt. Willey and passed by the body, to have the next dinner in the main dining room, the secretary to arrange for a private room after the dinner for the business meeting, and the members present to be assessed pro rata for the use of the room.

Mr. Nichols expressed his pleasure and thanked Pres. Pond and the members for the past-president's medal given him.

There being no further business, the president introduced Mr. Gifford, the speaker of the evening. His topic being: "Heldis and Her Strange Order."

Mr. Gifford recited the history of the Order—events which lead up to and the formation of the Order, purpose, eligibility for membership, duration, events and persons connected with it, stressing at intervals persons who played prominent parts in its career, and finally of the termination of the Order. Mr. Gifford then told of the difficulties involved and the lengthy search required in order to obtain medals of the Order. (The Imperial Asiatic Order for Universal Humanity)

At the conclusion, Pres. Pond thanked Mr. Gifford and spoke briefly of his acquaintanceship with one of

the present members of the De Salis family (mentioned in Mr. Gifford's story).

It was remarked that Mr. Gifford had done an exceptionally fine piece of "detective" work in bringing to light the history of this little known and strange Order, and it was agreed that his paper was one of the most interesting ever read to the Society.

A motion was made by Capt. Willey and passed by the body to extend a vote of thanks to Mr. Gifford for his entertaining and enlightening narration.

The meeting then adjourned.

Exhibits:

Mr. Gifford: Papers, correspondence, letters, pictures, prints, drawings, ribbons, and three (3) medals relating to the Imperial Asiatic Order, exhibited in connection with his subject, "Heldin and the Strange Order."

Mr. Evanson: Set of Edward VIII coins. Brilliant uncirculated 1892 and 1893 quarter and half dollars. A very fine cent, 1899 over 18.

Mr. Burke: U. S. Patterns. 1872, dollar, white metal, type of A. W. 1329; 1872, quarter dollar, silver, Amazonian type, A. W. 1263.

Mr. Blaney: Book, "The Story of Money" by Stuart Mosher. German banknote of 1922, Curiosity upon turning bill sideways the outline of the head of a jester appears in two positions.

Mr. Nichols: Half cent, 1793; Large cents, 1793, 1799, 1804; Wooden nickel of St. Petersburg, Fla.

Joseph B. Stach, of New York: Extremely fine Washington half dollar in copper; $\frac{1}{4}$ Fanam of Gujast, India; weight 1 gr. - the smallest gold coin known.

Mr. Pond: Book, "Coin Collecting" by Joseph Cuffin.

Mr. Steinberg: Several large U. S. cents, uncirculated.

Saul Steinberg,
Secretary

The Boston Numismatic Society held its regular monthly meeting and dinner at the Boston City Club on Monday evening, April 25, 1938.

Immediately after the dinner which was served in the main dining room the members retired to room R for the business meeting. Pres. Pond presiding. Members present: Messrs. Stafford, Prior, Evanson and Steinberg; total 5.

Communications had been received to the effect that several of the regularly attending members would be unable to be present.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

Several communications were read as follows:

A letter from the Oregon Trail Association, Inc., N. Y., relative to a booklet "America's Historical Opportunity," which had been presented to the Society by the Association;

A copy of the Constitution, By-Laws and Membership List from the Washington Numismatic Society, Washington, D. C.;

After examination and favorable comments by those present, the booklets, together with several copies of "The Numismatist," were turned over to the Curator, and the Secretary was instructed to send a letter of appreciation and thanks to the above-named organizations.

In reference to a letter sent to the secretary relative to obtaining membership lists by individuals who were not members of the Society, the President informed the body that it was not the policy of the Society to send out membership lists in that manner.

The president read a letter from a committee of Works Progress Administration workers who were engaged in an historical research. He also read copies of letters which he had sent to the Editor of the Boston Herald and to the Boston Better Business Bureau concerning misleading numismatic advertising matter which had appeared in this section and offered to the above-named, the Society's assistance and cooperation in enlightening the general public relative to coins, values, etc.

and in the preparation and publication of pamphlet literature and articles pertaining to numismatics in order to keep it in its proper high plane.

Pres. Pond told of his correspondence concerning an error in the listing of the Society in the Membership List of the American Numismatic Association.

There was a general discussion as to what would be the ^{best} procedure to follow in increasing the Society's membership and the president informed these of his activities in that respect — of the letters sent and replies received — and of the advisability of inviting, as guests, eligible numismatists to meetings. The secretary was instructed to invite Mr. Chester F. Wolfe, 13 Church St., Winchester, Mass., as a guest, to the next meeting.

A more or less informal discussion followed as to the advisability of a "Ladies Night" and also of a "Theatre Party"; no action being taken however.

The question of holding auctions after the meetings was brought up by Mr. Evanson, and without any action being taken, it was deemed inadvisable judging from past experience.

Mr. Stafford spoke on the advisability of holding an exhibition of coins and medals next winter at the Boston Public Library and also suggested that numismatic articles be written for publication in the local newspapers. He gave a short account of his experience, as a guest, when he observed the routine followed in a bank from the time a deposit is made, through the various phases, until its final disposition in the vault. He also told of acquiring a rather large collection of oriental coins and there followed a short discussion as to the best procedure to employ in classifying it.

The members were informed of Pres. Pond's election to the Council of the American Numismatic Society of New York and also of his recent visit to the New York Numismatic Club where he read a paper

on the Maria Theresa Thaler.

Because of the fact that the next regular meeting date falls on a holiday (May 30th), it was agreed that the next meeting would be held a week earlier, on Monday, May 23, 1938, the same procedure to be followed as in the April meeting — dinner in the main dining room and the business meeting in a private room after the dinner.

The meeting then adjourned.

Exhibits:

Mr. Evanson: An assortment of twelve (12) Colonial coins, including New Jersey, Vermont, Tugio and Bar cents — all in fine condition.

Mr. Stafford: An assortment of sixteen (16) Colonial coins, including three varieties of Wood's coinage, three Rosa Americana, Bar cent, Bigly cent, Pitt cent, New Jersey cent, Talbot, Allum and Lee cent, and Washington cents — all in fine condition.

Mr. Prior: An old U.S. half dollar — the first coin he obtained that started him as a collector.

Dr. Steinberg: Uncirculated Tugio cent. Small brass medal, silver plated, depicting Jeff Davis hanging from scaffold and reading, "Jeff Davis — Death to Traitors." An assortment of twelve (12) U.S. Patterns from one cent to five dollars, struck in various metals, and including several rarities.

Saul Steinberg,
Secretary.

May
23,
1938.

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The Boston Numismatic Society held its regular monthly meeting and dinner at the Boston City Club.

Following the dinner which was served in the main dining room, the members retired to room R for the business meeting, and in the absence, due to illness, of Pres. Pond, Vice-Pres. Stafford presided. Members present: Messrs. Ames, Prior, Wardner, Blaney and Steinberg. Total-6. Mr. R. Johnson Cram, Jr., attended as a guest of Mr. Blaney.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

A communication was read from Mr. Gifford who was unable to attend.

Several communications and circulars were read as follows:

An invitation from the president and members of the Council of the American Numismatic Society of New York to attend an exhibition to commemorate the Bi-millennium of Augustus to be held at the Society's Museum during May and June, 1938;

Several price lists and cards from various coin dealers;

A circular relative to the ninth annual Tri-State Coin and Stamp Convention to be held June 10-12, 1938, at Hotel Jamestown, Jamestown, N.Y.

Mr. Blaney, the speaker for the evening, was then introduced. His topic was, "A Sailor's Journal in the Caribbean." He recited a detailed account of his experiences as a seaman in 1928 when he visited several ports in the Caribbean and also spoke on the various coins he acquired at that time. At the conclusion, he was given a vote of thanks for his interesting and instructive talk.

There was a short discussion relative to German "Notgeld" notes.

Mr. Stafford spoke briefly of his experience in

Italy during the war. He also gave an interesting account of acquiring several silver crosses of various sizes which were supposed to have been used for trading purposes with the Indians.

Mr. Ames spoke on the collecting of medals. The meeting then adjourned.

Exhibits:

Mr. Stafford: U.S. Script, several pieces of various denominations. A Spanish piece of eight.

Mr. Steinberg: Uncirculated U.S. cents of 1804 (2) and 1823 (2), restrikes from the broken dies; Nine (9) Bolin medals including several rarities; U.S. Script, a block of nine (9) three cent notes; Two admission tokens - Wood's Irish Minstrels: One, an early type, struck over a Spanish two real piece, when the location of the theatre was at 444 Broadway, N.Y., and another, the regular admission token in silver, when located at 561-563 Broadway, N.Y. (1857).

A store card reading, "Try Corey's Continent" struck over a U.S. quarter of 1861.

Paul Steinberg,
Secretary.

Oct.
31,
1938.

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The Boston Numismatic Society held its regular monthly meeting and dinner at the Boston City Club. Because of the illness of Pres. Pond and the inability of several of the regularly attending members to be present the Executive Committee cancelled the September meeting. Dinner was served in the main dining room and the business meeting followed in Room M. Pres. Pond presided.

Members present: Messrs. Stafford, Davis, Prior, Evanson, Lowenstam, Steinberg, and Prof. Dewing. Total: 8. One visitor, Mr. Jones, of the Boston City Club.

The secretary's report of the previous meeting was read and accepted.

Several communications received during the summer were read, as follows:

A letter from "Stack's", Numismatists in N. Y. City, relative to their tokens of which a liberal supply had been donated to the Society and distributed among the members;

A letter from Leo F. Hewitt, Editor of the Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine, Chicago, Ill., relative to the advisability of the Society sending a brief report of its activities, meetings, etc., for publication in the Scrapbook. He also donated a reprint of Newlin's Early Half-Dimes to the Society's library;

A letter from F. E. Turin, manager of the Norfolk Advertising Board, Norfolk, Va., relative to the sale of Norfolk Commemorative Half Dollars;

A price list from Watkins Coin Co., of El Paso, Texas;

An illustrated catalogue from a dealer in Germany;

An invitation from John A. Warner, Secretary of the Columbus Numismatic Society to attend the 1938 A. N. A. convention to be held in Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 13-18, 1938; Also, a booklet describing the plans, etc., for same.

A card from Hans Subak of Paracel, Germany, and a member of the Vienna Numismatic Society, requesting information relative to eligibility for membership in the Boston N. S.;

The secretary reported that the correspondence relative to the above had been taken care of during the summer.

Two applications for membership were read: Mr. Walter Hayden of 56 Central Ave., Lynn, Mass., and Mr.

Joseph B. Doyle of 9 Mills St., Roxbury, Mass. They were referred to the Executive Committee for proper action.

Pres. Pond spoke briefly on the efforts made last year by Past Pres. Nichols to increase the Society's membership and then outlined his own plans concerning same. He read a letter which he had drawn up and the suggestion that it be sent to selected A. N. A. members was approved and accepted by the body. It was the consensus of the body that there were living in the vicinity of Boston several A. N. A. members who may be eligible for membership in the B. N. Society.

Prof. Dewing was then called upon. He gave an informal but very interesting and instructive talk regarding his travels last spring in Northern India, Greece, Egypt, Albania and other countries. He spoke particularly on India and discussed comparatively the different religious, social and economic conditions, political backgrounds and the resulting conflicts, climatic conditions and described the country in general. There followed a short discussion relative to Prof. Dewing's talk and Pres. Pond thanked him, for the Society, for his illuminating narration.

Mr. Jones, a member of the Boston City Club, showed an assortment of Arabic, Greek, Roman, French and other coins which he had picked up during his travels. He was particularly interested in having them identified and Pres. Pond, Prof. Dewing, Mr. Stafford & Mr. Lowenstam examined and identified the coins. Mr. Jones gave a brief impromptu account of conditions, etc., at French Guiana and Devil's Island, being probably one of very few persons given the privilege of entering the latter as a visitor.

The meeting then adjourned.

Exhibits:

Mr. Lowenstam: Large, gilt, silver medal with allegoric figures commemorating the 100th year of Argentine Independence, 1910, by Lefebvre; 1842, U. S. silver dollar with beautifully done detailed engraving on the reverse; Roman Republican denarius.

Mr. Evanson: Very fine 1794 U. S. Cent; Uncirculated \$3.00 gold piece, 1863; Fine Mass. half cent, 1788; proof gold dollar, 1874; A. N. A. convention medal, Boston, 1921.

Mr. Stafford: A very fine merchant's note for 7 shillings,
December 25, 1734, New Hampshire.

Pres. Pond: Set of 5 pieces of new Dominican
Republic, 1937; English crown, William III,
English crown, George II, 1935; Hawaiian dollar, 1883.

Mr. Jones: An assortment of small-size of Greek,
Roman, French, etc. coins.

Mr. S. Steinberg: An assortment of various-sized
medals:

Nativity Worners, Pres. of the G. M. G., 1924; Abraham Lincoln
medal, "With malice towards none, with charity for all," 1869-
1899; Jackson Centennial Celebration medal, 1829-1929;
Jackson, Michigan; Libertas Americana, by Dupre;
Pilgrim Fathers medal, 300 Anniversary, 1620-1920;
Landing of the Pilgrims medal and figures of the
Mayflower Compact; Earnest cent, 300 Anniversary
medal, 1625-1935; The Thos. Jefferson Memorial Assoc-
iation medal, tribute to the author of the Declaration of
Independence, 1903; The G. M. Society's medal to Henry
Wadsworth and Robert Tuckman, Wadsworth-Tuckman Celebration
Committee; U.S. mint medal to Peace and Commerce,
another, awarded for life saving at sea.

Saml. Steinberg
Secy. Surg.

The B. N. Society held its regular monthly meeting and
dinner at the Boston City Club.

Dinner was served in the main dining room and the
business meeting followed in Room M.

Pres. Pond presiding. Members present: Messrs. Gifford,
Davis, Nichols, Evanson, and Steinberg; Total, 6.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and
accepted.

The applications of Messrs. Walter C. Hayden of 56 Central
Ave., Lynn, Mass., and Joseph B. Doyle of 9 Hull St., Roxbury,
Mass., were favorably reported on by the Executive Committee
and these gentlemen were both unanimously elected
to membership.

The following correspondence was acted upon:

A card
from Lee F. Hewitt, Chicago, Ill., regarding arrangement
to have the Society's meetings reported in his Numismatic
Scrapbook;

Two cards from the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic
Society inviting the members to attend its 60th anniver-
sary to be celebrated on December 13, 1938 at the
Harvard-Yale-Princeton Club, Pittsburgh, Pa.;

A very interesting letter from James Hunt Deacon, Government
Numismatist, National Gallery, Adelaide, South Australia,
relative to information on the historical and genealogical
societies in Boston and vicinity and also a request for
a copy of the "Constitution, By-Laws and Membership
List" published by the Boston Numismatic Society. Mr.
Deacon wrote of the pleasant correspondence he had with
Pres. Pond in the past. Some time ago, Mr. Deacon wrote
a paper on the American Coins in the Collection which
was read at a meeting of the Society. He expressed his desire
to be of service to the Society in the future. Pres. Pond
commented briefly on Mr. Deacon's letter and expressed
his belief that there were one or two remaining copies
of the "Constitution, etc." which he would send to Mr.
Deacon;

A letter from Hans Lubek of the Vienna Numis-

matic Society who expected to arrive in Boston in March. A photograph and two letters of recommendation accompanied his letter. Relating to his application for membership, it was agreed that action be postponed until his arrival in this country and also to give the secretary the opportunity of meeting him and introducing him to the members.

There followed a short general discussion relative to plans for increasing the membership.

Pres. Pond then introduced past-pres. Nichols, the speaker for the evening. His topic was, "The 1938 A. N. A. Convention at Columbus, Ohio." A rather detailed account followed of the proceedings and transactions of the various sessions, the various numismatic exhibits present, the activities, and a description of the activities in general. He also described the original press that Mr. Heath used in 1888 in printing the "Numismatist" and showed a souvenir card of the convention printed on this same press.

In connection with his talk Mr. Nichols spoke of the advisability of fostering junior numismatic societies. He also read a newspaper clipping regarding the retirement of Miss O'Reilly after

35 years of loyal and efficient service in the Treasury Department. He spoke of her vast store of legal numismatic knowledge in general and stressed the great loss to the Treasury Department in the retirement of this energetic and lovable character.

He also discussed a proposed plan of dividing the U. S. into territories and that a representative from each Territory be elected to the Board of Governors of the A. N. Association.

He then exhibited the following which he obtained at the convention: Three Rhode Island Centenary Tokens distributed by Mr. Grant of Providence, R. I., and also a group picture of A. N. A. members at the Columbus, Ohio convention of 1907. Mr. Grant

was able to distribute this picture through the courtesy of Mr. Charles Davis, past-president of this Society, who had one of the original photographs from which the copies were made; A convention badge; One penny, Territory of New Guinea; A bill, a satire on the "30. Every Thursday plan" advocated in California. He also described the various coins and currency which he purchased at the convention.

At the conclusion Pres. Pond thanked Mr. Nichols for his instructive and entertaining talk and the members extended their congratulations to Mr. Nichols upon his appointment as the A. N. A. District Secretary for Massachusetts.

Mr. Evanson spoke briefly on the Springfield Coin Club.

Mr. Gifford made an excellent suggestion that the secretary in announcing future meetings, request the members who are unable to attend the dinner for any reason, to make a special effort to attend the business meeting in order to increase the attendance. The secretary was instructed to follow this suggestion.

Because of the Christmas Holiday season falling close to the Society's regular meeting date, it was agreed that the next meeting be held on Tuesday, December 30, 1938.

The meeting then adjourned.

Exhibits:

Mr. Nichols: Items enumerated above.

Mr. Evanson: A selection of various medals; 1864, two cents,

small motto;

Dr. S. Steinberg: Coins from Liberia and Ethiopia; An assortment of gold coins: California and United States.

A. S. Steinberg
Secretary

Dec.
30,
1938.

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The Society held its regular monthly meeting and dinner at the Boston City Club. After the dinner the members retired to Room 14 for the business meeting. Pres. Paul in the chair. Members present: Messrs. Willey, Gifford, Davis, Nichols, Evanson, Hayden, Hayle, and Steinberg. Total: 9.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Pres. Paul spoke briefly on his activities in following up the program for increasing the membership and read several letters which he had received from eligible neighboring numismatists in reply to those which he had sent out.

The secretary read a letter from the Colonial Coin and Stamp Company and passed around for the members inspection a new coin card for Buffalo nickels.

Communications from members unable to attend the meeting were also read.

Certificates of Membership were presented to Mr. Hayden and Mr. Hayle by Pres. Paul.

Pres. Paul read a letter from Mr. Heacum, Governor, Curator, National Gallery, Adelaide, S. Australia. The members were informed of Pres. Paul's election as an Honorary Corresponding Member of the Numismatic Society of S. Australia and he received the congratulations of the body.

Mr. Nichols presented an application for membership from Mr. Francis De Sales Quimet and under suspension of the By-Laws for this specific occasion, Mr. Quimet's application was voted upon at this meeting and he was unanimously elected to membership.

Pres. Paul exhibited the new book, "The Commemorative Coinage of the United States, by David M. Bullowa, published by the American Numismatic Society of New York, and gave a brief review of the late Howland Wood's work in this respect and also spoke on the excellent continuation and presentation by Mr. Bullowa in bringing the work

on this series of coinage up to date.

The Speaker for the evening was Pres. Paul. He read a very interesting paper on one phase of French coinage during the period of Napoleon I and discussed the political background and series of events which lead up to the change from "Republic" to "Empire" and resulted in the minting of coins with the apparent puzzling legends of "Napoleon Emperor" and "Republic Française" on the same coins. He also referred to Jey's work (1905) in regard to this apparently odd mixture of titles. Many interesting and historical events which took place during this period were brought out by Pres. Paul.

At the conclusion, the members thanked Mr. Paul for his interesting and instructive paper.

The president appointed a Nominating Committee to present a "slate" for officers for the ensuing year, at the Annual Meeting: Mr. Gifford, Chairman; Mr. Nichols; Mr. Wardner.

The Annual Meeting to be held on January 30, 1939, and the dinners to be paid for by the Society.

The meeting then adjourned.
Exhibits:

Pres. Paul: "The Copper Coinage of Ireland, 1460-1826, Nelson; "The Commemorative Coinage of the United States, Bullowa; Large illustrated broadside of the silver coinage (Austrian, Belgian, French, Greek, Swiss, etc.) printed during the World War and showing values and rate of exchange.

Capt. Willey: Medal of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery, Commemorating the 300th Anniversary (1638-1938) of the Oldest Military Organization of the Western Hemisphere, chartered in 1638 by the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

Mr. Nichols: A variety of foreign gold pieces: Colombian Republic, 1824-25, 2 Escudos; 1823, 1 Escudo; Spanish, Charles IV, 1786, 8 reales, Madrid mint; French, Louis XVI, 1786, 24 Lires, Lyons mint; English, George III, Guinea, 1786; Half Sovereign, 1817; George IV, Sovereign,

1824.

Mr. Hayden: Collection of United States Commemorative Half Dollars. The coins being housed in coin card holders designed and made by Mr. Hayden.

Mr. Steinberg: An assortment of various commemorative medals; Several U.S. Gold dollars, Adams-Woodin 1879, Pattern #4.00, 1879, Stella, collect hair, copper (gilt), not over 15 struck.

Sam Steinberg
Secretary

of the Club, described its proceedings and activities and cordially invited the members of the Boston Numismatic Society to attend its meetings.

Pres. Pond thanked Mr. Green for his interesting account of the formation of the New Bedford Coin Club and spoke of the pleasure of the Boston Numismatic Society in having Mr. Green with us as a guest and briefly commented on the creditable and constructive work being performed for numismatics in New Bedford by Mr. Green.

Mr. Nichols, A. N. A. District Secretary for Massachusetts, also spoke briefly relative to the excellent work done by Mr. Green in New Bedford, and promised to attend a meeting of the New Bedford Coin Club in the near future.

There followed a short, general discussion as to the advancement of numismatics by fostering "youth movements" having in mind arousing of interest in numismatics in the younger generation with the hope for resulting formation of Junior Coin Clubs.

Pres. Pond and Mr. Stafford related briefly of their work in visiting, speaking, and exhibiting in schools, churches, etc. Pres. Pond also read a bulletin from Milton Academy announcing its Annual Hobby Show. Mr. Stafford spoke briefly of his work as Examiner for Merit Badges in numismatics for Boy Scout coin collectors.

Relative to "National Coin Week, March 25-31, 1939," sponsored by the American Numismatic Association, there was a detailed general discussion as to procedures which may be applied locally, no definite action being taken at this time.

The president read a letter from the International Union to Combat Cancer, Paris, and showed a picture of a commemorative medal struck in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Curie, discoverers of radium. The medal is now on sale.

He also read a letter from the American Numismatic Society of New York relative to a collection recently acquired by them from a Mr. Endicott and sought information as to the identity of previous owners of certain coins in the above collection in order to complete the history of the coins.

A telegram from our fellow-member, Lt. Oscar Hodson, U.S.S. Vincennes, U.S.N., now in Pacific waters, was read by Pres. Pond. Lt. Hodson sent greetings and good wishes on the Annual Meeting.

Mr. Stafford spoke of his visit to Mr. Faeltan and also of his recent acquisition of a scarce type of Chinese money.

Pres. Pond briefly described the method of exhibiting employed in the New York Coin Club.

The topic for the evening was: "Discussion and Exhibition of U.S. Coins Before 1800." Each member was called upon and spoke on the various coins exhibited, which consisted of an excellent variety, many in uncirculated or extremely fine condition.

Exhibits:

Pres. Shepard Pond: U.S. Dollars: 1796, 1798, 1799;
\$10. or gold: 1795, 1799; \$5. or gold;

1798, 1800.

Mr. Henry Evanson: 1797, $\frac{1}{2}$ cent (1 over 1 variety),
showing 5 die breaks not
commonly seen.

Mr. Morgan Stafford: 1796 Quarter; 1794, 1795
Half dollars; 1795, 1798 Dollars.

Mr. Walter Nichols: A rare treat for those present
1794, Dollar; 1796, $\frac{1}{2}$ cent;

1792, half dime.

Lt. Saul Steinberg: 1796, Quarter; 1793, 1799, (1804)
cents.

Mr. Nichols read a short paper on the
1792 Half Dime.

Lt. Steinberg read a short paper on the
"U.S. Patterns, 1792-1800."

Other general exhibits as follows:

Mr. Gilbert Green: 1837, $\frac{1}{2}$ cent pure copper; 1853, gold Dollar.

Mr. Evanson: Proof Panama-Pacific Half Dollar; 1839
cent, mint red; Proof 1844 half dime;

Proof California gold half dollar.

Mr. Walter Nyden: Tugro cents, Wood's Coinage,
foreign copper pieces, medals.

New Hampshire Sesquicentennial Medal, 1783-1938.

Mr. Walter Nichols: Annapolis Shilling, 1783.

Mr. Morgan Stafford: Assortment of Colonial,
Tugro, Constellation, State,

Bar Cent, etc.

Mr. Carlton Gifford: Assortment of Medals of
Patriotic Societies (6).

The meeting then adjourned.

Saul Steinberg
Secretary.

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The Boston Numismatic Society held its regular monthly meeting and dinner at the Boston City Club on Monday, February 27, 1939.

After the dinner in the main dining room, the members retired to Room M for the business meeting.

Pres. Pond presiding: Members present: Messrs. Gifford, Stafford, Willey, Davis, Prior, Brown, Evanson, Doyle, Haydel, Mr. Reed and Mr. Steinberg. Total: 12.

Pres. Pond introduced our new member, Mr. Victor A. Reed of Lawrence, Mass.

The secretary's report of the previous meeting was read and accepted.

The president read the following correspondence:

A letter from Mr. H. E. Mac Intosh of Springfield, Mass., offering the Society the loan of a moving picture film of the Columbus Convention;

A letter from the Mass. Dept. of Public Health relative to the educational drive on cancer in Central Boston;

A circular of new numismatic books by Muscalus;

The secretary read the following correspondence:

Several letters from Ted Hammer, Chairman of "National Coin Week, March 25-31, 1939, sponsored by the American Numismatic Association;

A card from Harvey L. Hansen, Secretary of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society informing us of Mr. Oscar H. Dodson, U.S.N., attendance at their January 25th meeting.

A letter and sample check list for U.S. Commemorative Coins from Mr. Robert W. Botford, District Secretary, A.N.A., for Eastern Pennsylvania;

A letter and a Monticello wooden quarter from Mr. C. N. Overton of Monticello, N.Y.;

A numismatic publication from a Winnipeg Coin Society.

The correspondence was acted upon and disposed of.

Mr. Evanson volunteered to furnish and operate a motion picture machine showing Mr. Mac Intosh's films of the Columbus Convention. It was agreed to accept Mr. Mac Intosh's kind offer.

The being no further business the meeting adjourned and the members busied themselves examining and discussing generally the exhibits presented. Exhibits:

Pres. Shepard Pond: French 40 franc piece (gold) made into a locket; a series of silver 5 franc pieces, revolutionary and Napoleon, showing the progress in the transformation from "Republic" to "Empire";

Mr. Ambrose J. Brown: U.S. proof sets, 1865, 1870, 1899, 1881, 1882; Proof sets, (minor), 1847; 1875 c.c. and S. mint, Uncirculated 20 cent pieces; 10 cents, 68 pieces, uncirculated and proof; half dimes, 50, uncirculated and proof.

Mr. Victor A. Reed: German medal (lead) showing the sinking of the Lusitania; 1938, 3 U.S. proof sets; 1928, Irish set: farthing to 2 1/2 shillings (4 pieces).

Mr. Henry Evanson: Stone card (aluminum), A. Buzzell & Co., Boston; Medal, 1928, Archbishop O'Connell (now Cardinal) of Boston; 6 unc. U.S. quarters.

Mr. Fred W. Prior: U.S. half dollars.

Mr. Morgan H. Stafford: The Kirtland, Ohio, Safety Society Bank: \$1.00, \$2.00, \$3.00, \$5.00, \$10.00 and \$20.00 (originals) signed by J. Smith, Jr. and S. Redlam, 1837. Jefferson Bank of New Salem, Ohio, \$1.00, \$3.00, \$5.00, 1817; The Ohio Railroad, \$3.00, 1848.

One piece "shoe money", China, with letter telling of confiscation of a similar piece by Japanese in control of Chinese post-office in Shanghai.

Mr. Saul Steinberg: 1903, U.S. Proof sets (3); U.S. Seignior, 50 cents, 10 pieces, uncirculated, crisp. Saul Steinberg Secretary

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The regular monthly meeting and dinner of the Numismatic Society was held on Monday, March 27, 1939 at the Boston City Club.

Dinner was served in the main dining room and the business meeting followed in Room M.

Presiding: Pres. Pond; Members present: Messrs. Gifford, Davis, Stafford, Prior, Evanson, Doyle, Hayden and Steinberg; Total: 9.

The secretary's report of the previous meeting was read and accepted.

One application for membership was received and was referred to the Investigation Committee for further routine action. Applicant: Samuel S. Reynolds of 16 Sargent St., Winchester, Mass.

Messrs. Davis and Doyle were appointed on the Investigation Committee by the President.

Three interesting letters were read from James Hunt Deacon, Government Curator, National Gallery of South Australia. (Pres. Pond and Messrs. Stafford and Steinberg).

Pres. Pond spoke of a letter received from our fellow-member, Lt. Oscar W. Dodson, U.S.N., on leave of absence, describing a rather extensive automobile tour which he and his family were taking.

Several price lists, catalogues, numismatic literature etc., were passed around for the members' inspection.

Mr. Gifford informed the members of the offer of Mr. Studley of Rochester, N.Y. (Official government agent for medals, bars, ribbons, etc.) to loan the Society a moving picture film showing and describing various medals and it was agreed to accept Mr. Studley's offer, arrangements to be made by Mr. Gifford to obtain the film and have it shown at the Society's next meeting (April 24, 1939) if possible.

The feature for the evening was the showing of the moving pictures loaned the Society by Mr. H. E. Mac Intosh of Springfield, Mass. This consisted of two reels: "A Numismatic Rendezvous" and the "American Numismatic Association Convention at Columbus

Ohio." They depicted the personalities of the Springfield Coin Club at Wilbraham Mountain, Mass. on June 8, 1938, and the A. N. A. Convention at Columbus, Ohio in August 1938.

Exhibits were shown and discussed during the intermission between the showing of the reels:

Mr. Carlton S. Gifford: Medals: Military Order of the Spanish War; Italian Star for Colonies; Society of the Army of Cumberland; an odd and interesting medal, not officially listed, of the Society of (de) Puerto Rico. "Reading Artillerists" Chas. B. Wiley. This was made from a 40 centavo coin of Salado Puerto Rico with the keystone emblem superimposed on the coin. This piece occasioned some discussion as to origin, etc.

Mr. Morgan H. Stafford: Framed, 1 pound note, in black, and 10 shilling note, in red; issued by the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury under authority of Act of Parliament, and signed by John Bradbury, Secretary to the Treasury. Not dated.

Pres. Shepard Pond: Proof set, Dominican Republic, 1937, 50, 25, and 10 cents in silver, 5 cents in nickel, and 1 cent in bronze; Cuba, 1 peso; Mexico, 1 peso (old style) and 1 peso new style (smaller); Panama, half dollar.

Mr. Walter C. Hayden: 1939 set (3), Arkansas Commemorative Half Dollars.

Mr. Saul Steinberg: An assortment of 20 early political tokens and medals, including several rarities. Book: "Dialogues upon the Usefulness of Ancient Medals especially in relation to the Latin and Greek Poets," by Joseph Adrichem, Eng., printed in Glasgow, 1751.

A vote of thanks was given to Mr. Mac Intosh for the use of his films and to Mr. Evanson for furnishing the moving picture machine and necessary apparatus and for his operation of the machine.

A short general discussion followed and the meeting adjourned. Saul Steinberg, Secretary.

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The regular monthly meeting and dinner of the Boston Numismatic Society was held on Monday, April 24, 1939, at the Boston City Club.

After dinner in the main dining room the members retired to a private room for the business meeting.

Presiding: Pres. Poul. Members present: Messrs. Gifford, Stofford, Davis, Prior, Schuchmaier, Wardner, Nichols, Trauson, Hayden, Doyle, and Steinberg. Total: 12.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

A communication was read from Mr. Victor G. Reed. Several catalogues, price lists, etc., were passed around for the members inspection.

Mr. Davis, Chairman of the Investigation Committee reported favorably on the application of Mr. Samuel S. Reynolds of 16 Sargent Road, Winchester, Mass. He was unanimously elected to membership.

Pres. Poul spoke briefly on our fellow-members (St. Omer H. Hobson, U.S.N.) Article in this month's Numismatist, "Arrowhead Money of Easter Island."

There was also an article by Pres. Poul in this issue "Napoleon, Emperor of the French Republic -- a study illustrated by coin types of the transition from the Republic to Empire."

Letters received from other members: One from Moritz Wormser and another from Richard Blaney, now in California.

The president read a digest of the "Report of the 78th Annual Meeting of the Boston Numismatic Society on Jan. 30, 1939," which was published in Spink and Sons Circular, London.

A letter was received by the president from Hubert D. Scott of the National Numismatic Society requesting information relative to the duty required on gold coins coming into the United States. It appeared that the Custom Officials were holding up some gold coins. Mr. Gifford, who had considerable experience in this procedure explained the act and stated that the coins were exempt from

duty and should be admitted. This information is to be given to Mr. Hubert D. Scott.

The president then spoke briefly of the continuation of the membership campaign and of several letters sent out to local numismatists.

Mr. Nichols, as A. N. A. District Secretary for Massachusetts, spoke of a program for the advancement of numismatics and distributed "Everybody's Coin Book" by Fred J. Haskin, to the members. The purpose being to have the members give the booklets to the younger generation in order to stimulate an interest in numismatics among them. He also spoke of the coming A. N. A. Convention in New York City and distributed reservation cards. Mr. Nichols announced his intention to be a candidate for the Board of Governors of the A. N. A., and Pres. Poul spoke of the desirability of the Boston Numismatic Society supporting the candidacy of Mr. Nichols. It was unanimously voted that the Society endorse the candidacy of Mr. Nichols. Mr. Nichols expressed the enjoyment he received and the interest shown when he visited various coin clubs as Massachusetts' representative for the A. N. A.

Pres. Poul also spoke of the coming A. N. A. Convention (Sept. 30 - Oct. 5, 1939) at Hotel Pennsylvania, in New York City. The members were urged to attend if possible.

The Society expressed its sympathy and condolences to Mr. Lowenstein in the death of his mother.

The date of the next regular meeting falling on the eve of Memorial Day, it was decided to hold the meeting one week earlier, Monday, May 22, 1939.

Exhibits were shown and an interesting and general discussion followed.

The meeting then adjourned.
Exhibits:

Pres. Shepard Poul: Papal States, 1 and 2 lira pieces, Pius IX; Louis XV,

Crown, 1769;

Mr. George W. Warden: A well-sized collection of uncirculated and proof dollars, half dollars, quarters, dimes and three cents (silver), including scarce and rare items in each series and also in the Commemorative Series. A proof set of 1902.

Mr. Walter P. Nichols: Russia, a rare three ruble piece, platinum, 1829. A one ounce disc, 99.89% pure platinum, issued by the Platinum Corporation of America. Castorland half dollar, 1796.

Mr. Henry Evanson: English coins and tokens in various metals.

Mr. Saul Steinberg: Concord and North American Tokens. Also, an early note of the "State of Massachusetts Bay," 15 pounds, Feb. 5, 1780. Border reading, "Death to Counterfeit this." An early "Coin Chart Manual" by Thompson, New York, 1857. A two-column clipping from the Boston Transcriber, March 1, 1859, giving a rather detailed account of the U.S. Cents from 1793 to 1857. The article is signed "A. S., Brookline, Mass., Feb. 1859." Note: The author appears to be Augustine Schurtliff who was one of the founders of the Boston Numismatic Society in 1860.

Saul Steinberg,
Secretary.

The regular monthly meeting and dinner was held at the Boston City Club.

Dinner was served in the main dining room and the business meeting followed in a private room.

Pres. Pond presiding. Members present: Messrs. Gifford, Lowenstam, Hayden, Doyle, Reynolds, Mr. Reed and Mr. Steinberg. Total 8.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Correspondence received was acted upon and several price lists, etc. were passed around.

Pres. Pond welcomed our new member, Mr. Samuel S. Reynolds, and presented certificates of membership to Mr. Reynolds and also to Mr. Victor A. Reed.

Mr. Reynolds expressed his thanks and pleasure in his election to the Society.

Pres. Pond spoke briefly on his attendance recently at the American Numismatic Society's Council Meeting and also the New York Numismatic Club dinner, relating events which occurred, exhibits and personalities present. He also read an interesting letter from Mr. Dodson describing his automobile trip across Death Valley, California with his wife and infant child. Mr. Dodson wrote of his pleasure in attending meetings of the coin clubs in California.

The president read and commented on an article taken from the N.Y. Times: "London's Last Money-Change."

Mr. Gifford commented briefly on a book pertaining to war medals and decorations which Mr. Lowenstam exhibited.

There was a short general discussion as to various methods of cleaning and housing coins.

Following a few words by the president relative to the Coming A. N. A. Convention in N.Y. City and urging the members to attend if possible, the meeting adjourned.

Exhibits (next page).

Exhibits:

Mr. Lowenstam: 10 Kroner, 1000th Anniversary,
Iceland;

Book, "The A. B. C. of War Medals and Decorations"
Augustus Steward;

A beautiful set of U.S. Script housed in a
small Scott book for sale;

Several tokens: "Am I not a woman and a
sister"; "Am I not a man and a brother";

Mr. Hayden: New 1939 Canadian Dollar;

Mr. Reed: Dollar notes, Aug. 1, 1862, a beautiful
representation of U.S. gold from

\$1.00 through the various denominations to
\$20.00 and including several commemorative
pieces.

Pres. Pond: 1 Peso, 1897, Philippines; 1 peso, 1895,
Porto Rico; 1 pound, 1898, Paul Hanger.

Paul Steinberg
Secretary

September
18,
1939.

The regular monthly meeting and dinner was
held at the Boston City Club. Dinner was served in the
main dining room. The business meeting was held in
a private room.

Presiding: Pres. Pond. Members present: Messrs. Stafford,
Davis, Willey, Lowenstam, Doyle, Reynolds and Steinberg.
Total: 8.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and
accepted.

Correspondence received during the summer months was
acted upon. Price lists, catalogues, announcements, etc., were
passed around for the members inspection.

Pres. Pond read a letter relative to Mr. Nichols' candidacy
for the Board of Governors, A. N. A. He also read a letter
from a dealer in Jerusalem regarding antique coins and
also a letter from the Numismatic Society of South
Australia and passed around a booklet received relative
to the organization and program for 1939-40.

Mention was made of the article in a recent issue
of the Numismatist relative to the Society's "Presidential
Badge of Office."

The president spoke briefly of a letter received from
Lt. Dodson relative to his travels.

Mr. Stafford related anecdotes relative to his work
as examiner for merit badges (numismatic) for the
Norumbega Council of Boy Scouts. Mr. Reynolds also
spoke briefly regarding Boy Scouts.

Mr. Davis mentioned the various numismatists
and A. N. A. members whom he had met during the
summer.

The speaker of the evening was Mr. Stafford. Topic:
"Numismatic and Genealogic Research in London".
He related an interesting account of his travels in
England during the summer and gave a detailed
account of the various cities, dealers, and museums
visited and numismatic purchases, and exhibited
numismatic items in connection with his talk. He
also spoke of his genealogical research and pointed

out the difficulties met with. He was given a vote of thanks at the conclusion of his narration.

Delegates appointed to the A. N. A. Convention New York City, Sept. 30-Oct. 5, 1939: Pres. Pond and Mr. Nichols. Alternate: Mr. Lowenstein.

The meeting then adjourned.

Exhibits: Mr. Stafford: A fine collection of early English coins, gold and silver; Hudson Bay Co., 1 pound note; Boston Bank, England 1 pound note; Bank of England, 100 pounds, 1709; New England shilling and Pine Tree shilling.

Mr. Lowenstein: A collection of foreign dollar-sized coins.

Mr. Reynolds: Pine Tree shilling.

Paul Steinberg,
Secretary.

The regular monthly dinner and business meeting of the Boston Numismatic Society was held at the Boston City Club. Dinner was served in the main dining room. The business meeting was held in a private room.

Presiding: Pres. Pond. Members present: Messrs. Stafford, Wilby, Schuhmacher, Hayden, Lowenstein, Paul Davis, Prior, Nichols and Dyle. Total: 11; Guests: Mr. Henry Subak, formerly of Vienna. Total present: 12.

Pres. Pond reported that Sec. Steinberg could not be present because of illness, and appointed Mr. Dyle to serve as Sec. pro tem.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Several catalogues, price lists and advertisements received since the last meeting were passed to the members for inspection.

Pres. Pond read a letter from the Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine offering to publish papers read at meetings. Speaking briefly on the matter, Pres. Pond assured the members that papers would be very much appreciated, also forwarded to the magazine for publication.

Pres. Pond read a letter from Mr. Hewing expressing thanks for notice of the meeting. He left for the West Coast on Oct. 26 and stated that although he was "not much in attendance at meetings, his interest is warm."

Pres. Pond acknowledged the letter with thanks.

An application for membership was received from Mr. Ernest R. Shackelford, of 20 Garfield St., Cambridge, Mass. It was read and referred to the Executive Committee for investigation and for a report at the next meeting. The fee of \$3.00 was received with the application, and in the absence of the Treasurer, it was held temporarily by Pres. Pond.

Mr. Dyle reported that he met Mr. Albert Gutentag of the Cleveland Club who sent greetings to his acquaintances in the Boston Society.

Pres. Pond extended a hearty welcome to Mr. Subak and expressed the pleasure of all present for the opportunity of meeting him. Mr. Subak thanked the

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president for the courtesy extended.

In a few well-chosen words, Pres. Paul presented the Speaker for the evening, Mr. Nichols, whose topic was "The A. N. A. Convention." Having been elected a member of the Board of Governors of the A. N. A., and having served as Reading Clerk at the Convention, Mr. Nichols was well qualified to give a comprehensive account of the proceedings, and all present listened with interest and pleasure to his talk. He first thanked Pres. Paul for his kind words of introduction and expressed his personal satisfaction that Pres. Paul found it possible to attend the Convention. He reported about two hundred (200) members attended the Convention. There were 104 cases of exhibits with a total valuation of \$300,000.00, among them:-

Chase National Bank: Clearing House Certificates and Bank Receipts.

Louis Werner: Coins of Palestine in the Bible, and the Roman Family Coins during the Republic.

T. J. Clarke: Pine Tree and Oak Tree Shillings, and rare \$50.00 slugs.

B. Max Nehl: Complete set of large cents uncirculated.

L. W. Hoffecker: Gold Coins of the world.

A. A. Ginnell: Paper Money.

F. C. E. Bryant: Coins of North Siam.

A. B. Kelly: Rare Gold, notably the 1815 \$5.00 piece.

He spoke of some of the Resolutions adopted, and gave a complete report of the election of officers, all of which will appear in the Numismatist. He appreciated all Pres. Paul had done to assure his election, also the assistance of the members, and offered his services at any time in the promotion of our common interests. He showed various Convention Badges, a snapshot of him congratulating Mr. Hoffecker, newly elected President of the A. N. A., and one of Mr. Hoffecker's 1938 Christmas cards, a folder showing part of his enormous collection. On motion by Mr. Stafford, seconded by Capt. Wilby, it was voted that the thanks

of the Society be extended to Mr. Nichols for his entertaining talk.

Pres. Paul announced the date of the next meeting, Monday, November 27, 1939.

Notice from Spink and Sons stating that the next issue will be on Nov. 15 to include Oct., Nov., and Dec., with the possibility of suspending publication for the duration of the war, was read.

Pres. Paul spoke of a letter he received from Lt. Walden, somewhere on the Atlantic Ocean, who hopes to be in Boston in February or March.

General discussion on the careful editing of papers published in the Numismatist followed. As mentioned by Mr. Nichols in his talk, the proposed employment of an Associate Editor to assist Mr. Duffield will go far towards solving this problem.

The meeting adjourned at 8.50 p.m.

Exhibits:

Mr. Stafford: Treasury note of 1863; Legal tender notes of 1874 and 1875, series B and C, all crisp, uncirculated; A workable check-list of all known signers of Continental Currency, total 223 signers.

Mr. Lorenstam: 1896, U.S. Dollar; 1804, 6 shillings, Bank of Ireland, silver; 1804, 5 shillings, Bank of England, silver; 1619, Saxony Thaler;

Mr. Nichols: 1939 U.S. nickel, far off center, about one-half of planchet being blank.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph B. Doyle,

Secretary, pro tem.

(per S.S.)

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The regular monthly meeting and dinner of the Boston Numismatic Society was held on Monday, Nov. 27, 1939 at the Boston City Club.

Dinner was served in the main dining room and the business meeting was held in a private room.

Presiding: Pres. Pond. Members present: Messrs. Davis, Nichols, Lowenstein, Evanson, Prior, Wardner, Stafford, Doyle, Hayden, Reynolds, Capt. Willey, Prof. Dewing and Mr. Steinberg. Total: 14. Guests present: Messrs. Hans Subak of the Vienna Numismatic Society, Horace Grant of Providence, R. I., and Edgar A. Walter of Lexington, Mass. Total: 3. Total attendance: 17.

The guests were introduced to the members.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

A favorable report was submitted by the Executive Committee relative to the application for membership of Mr. ERNEST R. SHACKFORD of 20 Garfield St., Cambridge, Mass. Pres. Pond appointed Mr. Wardner to act as Teller. Mr. Shackford was unanimously elected to membership in the Society.

Several communications were then read by the President: a post-card from St. Hudson who is returning from the East Coast; a letter from the Numismatic Society of S. Australia; a letter from the Society of Medalists regarding membership in said Society. No definite action was taken at this time relative to the latter communication.

With respect to the membership campaign, the president mentioned several numismatists in the vicinity of Boston who may be eligible for membership in the Society.

The secretary read, and passed around for the members' inspection, several price lists, auction catalogues, and lists of new numismatic publications.

Mr. Stafford spoke briefly relative to his acquisition of a fine collection of Colonial and Continental Currency in uncirculated condition.

All the business being disposed of, Pres. Pond introduced

the speaker for the evening. He related short incidents relative to Prof. Dewing's travels and experiences and of his many excellent talks delivered to the Society.

Prof. Dewing thanked the president for his introduction. He then delivered a most interesting and entertaining account of his recent travels and observations in the Balkans, particularly in Southern Yugoslavia, Macedonia and Albania. Speaking informally, he proceeded to explain the general make-up of the countries, ~~and~~ natural resources, geographic, economic, political, and military conditions, as well as the customs and languages of each of the countries, both of the individual countries and as compared with each other. With this clear background, he then related the importance of the Balkans especially from a military viewpoint to outside neighboring nations, particularly stressing the significance of its military control by Italy, explaining very clearly the probable reasons for some of the past military events in the Balkans. During his narration he told of the various persons, official and otherwise, whom he had spoken with and related several amusing personal incidents.

A short "question and answer" period relative to his talk followed.

The members were impressed by the clarity and detail, and thanked the professor at the conclusion for a most interesting and educational discourse.

Mr. Reynolds donated to the Society the first six numbers of Volume I. of "Money Talks", a new Canadian publication, and received the thanks of the body.

Next meeting: Dec. 18, 1939.

The meeting then adjourned.

Exhibits:

Mr. Evanson: A collection of Spanish, Portuguese and German early silver coins, various sizes.

Mr. Lowenstein: 1785, U.S. half dollar; 1809, Hudson and Fulton gold dollars.

1/4 and 1/2 dollars, gold, California, with Washington head,
Austria, Coronation of Francis Joseph, silver medal.

Mr. Subak: A representative group of Roman
silver coins.

Mr. Welte: A collection in five trays of
Swiss coins, in various metals,
mostly silver, all in beautiful condition, including
scarce and rare coins. He received the thanks
of the Society for his display and his short, but
very interesting talk. He thanked the Society for
the invitation to the meeting.

Mr. Reynolds: Vol. I, Number 1 to 6 inclusive,
"Money Talks."

A. H. Steinberg,
Secretary.

December
18,
1939.

The regular monthly meeting and dinner was
held at the Boston City Club on Monday, December
18, 1939. Dinner was served in the main dining
room; the business meeting followed in a private
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Presiding: Pres. Pond. Members present: Messrs. Davis,
Schuhmacher, Nichols, Stafford, Wardner, Lowenstam,
Wagden, Doyle, and Mr. Steinberg. Total: 10.

Guests present: Mr. Hans Subak of the Vienna Numis-
matic Society and Mr. Edgar A. Welte of the American
Numismatic Society of New York. Total: 3. Total present: 13.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and
accepted.

Pres. Pond read a card which he had received from
Lt. Dodson, U.S.N.

The secretary read communications from members
and passed around several price lists, catalogues and
other numismatic literature received.

One application for membership was received.

Mr. Edgar A. Welte of 1303 Massachusetts Ave.,
Lexington, Mass. It was referred to the Executive
Committee for routine action.

Pres. Pond gave a brief talk on the progress of
the Society and recalled to the members some of the
outstanding numismatists who had been members
in the past and who have since passed away.

A Nominating Committee was appointed by the
president to bring in a "slate" for officers for 1940;
Mr. Gifford, Chairman; Mr. Wardner and Mr. Prior.

The next meeting, the Annual Meeting and Election
of Officers, will be held on January 29, 1940.

There followed a general numismatic discussion
and exhibits were displayed.

The meeting then adjourned.
Exhibits:

Mr. Welte: A collection of German wooden
and silk money; Greek (Athens);
Brunswick, gilt, 10,000 and 500 marks.

Mr. Stafford: Chinese dollar, uncirculated, Formosa;
 Mr. Wardner: Tax Tokens;
 Mr. Lowenstam: 1857, Bolivia, 8 Scudo, 1870, 5 peso,
 first Spanish Republic;
 Mr. Hayden: Piece of Eight, Mexican dollar; variety of
 foreign coins;
 Mr. Suluk: Coins of Latvia and Finland;
 Pres. Pond: 2le de France 10 livres, 1810, very fine (rare)
 Book by Felt, 1839, Mass. Currency, with
 plates (rare);
 Book by Davis, 1900, Currency and Banking
 in the Province of Mass. Bay;
 Mr. Steinberg: Bolen medal: Washington head;
 Soldiers' Fair, Springfield, Mass. 1884

Samuel Steinberg,
 Secretary.

Three applications for membership were received:
 Hans Stribak, 38 Harrison St., Hyde Park, Mass.
 Jacob Lebowich, 27 School St., Boston, Mass.
 Fred H. Mc Dermott, 441 Bunker Hill St., Charlestown, Mass.

The initiation fee (\$3.00) accompanied each application
 and was turned over to the Treasurer. The applications
 were referred to the Executive Committee for routine action.

Pres. Stafford then introduced the Speaker for the evening.

Mr. David M. Bullowa of N. Y. Associate Editor of "The
 Numismatist." Topic: "Two Neglected Numismatic
 Series." 1. Foreign Bank Notes of Current Issues;

2. Small Gold Coins of the \$1.00 to \$5.00 range.

A fine exhibit of each of the above series was displayed.
 He distributed Russian notes to the members present. Mr.
 Bullowa spoke in detail on each of the series of his talk
 and the members thanked him for an interesting and
 educational discourse.

Mr. Hans Schulman of N. Y. also spoke and exhibited
 a fine collection of "Odd and Curious Coins." He also
 received the thanks of the members.

There followed a short general discussion in
 reference to the exhibits by Mr. Bullowa and Mr.
 Schulman.

The meeting then adjourned. Next meeting: Feb. 26, 1940.

Exhibits: Mr. Hans Schulman: A fine collection of "Odd
 and Curious Coins," including
 some extremely rare specimens.

Mr. David M. Bullowa: A collection, in a book,
 of foreign current bank
 notes, and a collection of foreign small gold coins,
 showing the monetary relationship with each other
 and with United States.

Mr. Lowenstam's 1819, Unc. British Crown,
 designed by Pistrucci; Types of
 Commemorative and California gold Dollars; Chinese
 500 Cash piece, bronze, about 8 inches in diameter.

Mr. Stafford: Chinese coin. One bronze,
 about 7 inches in diameter;

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR THE
YEAR ENDING, DEC. 31, 1939.

Balance on Hand, Jan. 1, 1939. \$714.30

Receipts for the Year:

Annual Dues. \$64.00
Initiation Fees. 12.00
Interest on Bank Balances:
Suffolk Savings Bank. \$5.60
Provident Institution
for Savings. 8.39 13.99

Total Receipts. \$89.99

Disbursements for the Year:

Annual Dinner \$11.00
Postage. 1.50
A.N.A. Dues for 1939 3.00
Showing of A.N.A. movies 8.00
Postage, phone calls, station-
ery, carfare. 2.25

Total Expenses. \$25.75

Gain for the Year. 64.24

Balance on Hand, December 31, 1939. \$778.54

Suffolk Savings Bank. \$329.84
Provident Institution for
Savings. 440.71
Cash on Hand. 7.99

\$778.54

Respectfully submitted,

Henry Evanson
Henry Evanson, Treasurer

was unanimously elected to membership in the
Society. Mr. Evanson acted as teller.
In accordance with the provisions of the

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Jacob Lebowich, 27 School St., Boston, Mass.

Fred H. McDermott, 441 Bunker Hill St., Charlestown, Mass.

The initiation fee (\$3.00) accompanied each application and was turned over to the Treasurer. The applications were referred to the Executive Committee for positive action.

Pres. Stappert then introduced the Speaker for the evening.

Mr. David M. Bullowa of N. Y., Associate Editor of the "Numismatist," Topic: "Two Neglected Numismatic Series." 1. Foreign Bank Notes of Current Issues;

2. Small Gold Coins of the \$4.00 to \$5.00 range.

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Mr. Hans Schulman of N. Y. also spoke and exhibited a fine collection of "Odes and Curious Coins." He also received the thanks of the members.

There followed a short general discussion in reference to the exhibits by Mr. Bullowa and Mr. Schulman.

The meeting then adjourned. Next meeting: Feb. 26, 1940.
Exhibits: Mr. Hans Schulman: A fine collection of "Odes and Curious Coins," including some extremely rare specimens.

Mr. David M. Bullowa: A collection, in a book, of foreign current bank notes, and a collection of foreign small gold coins, showing the monetary relationship with each other and with United States.

Mr. Laverne Lums 1819, Unc. British Crown, designed by Pistrucci, Types of Commemorative and California gold Dollars; Chinese, 500 Cash piece, bronze, about 5 inches in diameter.

Mr. Stappert: Chinese coins. One bronze, about 7 inches in diameter;

January 29, 1940.
The 80th Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Boston Numismatic Society was held on Monday, January 29, 1940 at the Boston City Club. After dinner in the main dining room, the business meeting was held in a private room.

Presiding: Pres. Pond. Members present: Messrs. Evanson, Lowenstein, Davis, Prior, Stafford, Gifford, Doyle, Nichols, Wardner, Hayden, Reynolds, Schuchmacher, Mr. Reed and Mr. Steinberg. Total: 15.

Guests: Mr. Hans Subak of the Vienna Numismatic Society; Mr. Borhek of Boston; Mr. David Bullowa of N. Y., Associate Editor of "The Numismatist"; Mr. Hans Schulman of N. Y.; Mr. Hawley of Winchester, Mass. Total: 5. Total present: 20.

Following the introduction of the guests, the president spoke briefly relative to the Society's 80th Anniversary. The Society was organized in 1860.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

The Treasurer's Report (Mr. Evanson), showing a financial gain for the past year was read and accepted.

The V. Pres. and Curator's Report (Mr. Stafford), was read and accepted.

The President then gave a résumé of the work done by the Society during the past year and thanked the members for their cooperation. There was a gain of four (4) new members for the year.

A Christmas Card and felicitations was received from the Hartford Numismatic Society and two very interesting letters from fellow-members, Mr. Richard Blaney now in Southern California, and Lt. Dodson, U.S.N., now en route to the east coast.

The Executive Committee reported favorably on the application of Mr. EDGAR A. WELT of 1303 Massachusetts Ave., Lexington, Mass., and he was unanimously elected to membership in the Society. Mr. Evanson acted as teller.

In accordance with the provisions of the

Three applications for membership were received:

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Pres. Stafford then introduced the Speaker for the evening.

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Mr. Lowenstein: 1819, Unc. British Crown, designed by Pistrucci, Types of Commemorative and California gold Dollars; Chinese, 500 Cash piece, bronze, about 8 inches in diameter.

Mr. Stafford: Chinese coin. One bronze, about 7 inches in diameter;

It is with profound sorrow that the members of the Boston Numismatic Society have learned of the death on November 20th 1940 of the Society's President Morgan H. Stafford.

Elected to membership in 1917 his interest in the Society was unflagging and, except for his period of service in Italy as a Captain in the American Red Cross, his attendance at our meetings was remarkable for its regularity. Yearly since 1929 Mr. Stafford held some office in the Society with the result that he was one of the extremely few members ever to have served in all four offices of President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary. *He was also a member of the American Numismatic Association and the American Numismatic Society.* Mr. Stafford was truly a natural born collector, his interests ranging from French and Indian relics of the neighborhood of his native town Marquette, Michigan to Greek and Roman coins, postage stamps, fine books and especially to Colonial and Continental paper money of which he had assembled a noteworthy collection and on which he was a recognized authority.

Laterly his principal occupation was in the field of genealogy. For years a member of the New England Historical-Genealogical Society he did much research for old Massachusetts families, working both in this country and England.

Mr. Stafford was for many years a member of St. John's Church, Newtonville where he had served as vestry man and where he showed deep and continued interest in the men's organizations, especially the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. His fraternal activities were represented principally by an honorary membership in Norumbega Lodge F. and A. ^{M.} in Newton. The long continued work done so cheerfully and modestly by Mr. Stafford for the Boston Numismatic Society is appreciated more than can be expressed in words as is the esteem in which he was held. May the remembrance of his character and accomplishments be an inspiration to those of us who must carry on his work.

Three applications for membership were received:
 Hans Stribak, 38 Harrison St., Hyde Park, Mass.
 Jacob Lebowich, 27 School St., Boston, Mass.
 Fred H. McDermott, 441 Bunker Hill St., Charlestown, Mass.
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 Pres. Stafford then introduced the Speaker for the evening: Mr. David M. Bullowa of N. Y. Associate Editor of the Numismatist. Topic: "Two Neglected Numismatic Series." 1. Foreign Bank Notes of Current Issues; 2. Small Gold Coins of the \$1.00 to \$5.00 range.
 A fine exhibit of each of the above series was displayed. He distributed Russian notes to the members present. Mr. Bullowa spoke in detail on each of the series of his talk and the members thanked him for an interesting and educational discourse.
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 Mr. Stafford: Chinese coins. One bronze, about 7 inches in diameter;

which position he filled until retirement on pension at 65 years of age in 1934.

Harry's favorite activity as a youth was bicycling on the high-wheelers of the 1880's. He once rode to Cincinnati and return on his high wheel long before the advent of concrete roads. He began collecting coins in the high-bicycle days. In December, 1907, he joined the A. N. A., and in 1908 affiliated with the old Chicago Numismatic Society.

His genial good nature and amiable qualities made him a favorite at conventions everywhere. In 1923 he was elected to the office of General Secretary, which he held until 1938, when he declined by reason of age to continue in the office. Few have favored the A. N. A. with so many years of labor and serious efforts to build up the Association. Long will be remembered his fraternal numismatic work!

Funeral services were arranged by surviving second cousins, Mabel Shays Wilcox and Wm. Leverett Shays, and conducted by his Chapter No. 12, Philip Sheridan Sons of Veterans of the Civil War, with the Chicago Coin Club members acting as honorary pallbearers. Interment was in Greenwood cemetery. M. V. S.

A Tribute to Former General Secretary Wilson.

Faithful Harry Wilson has passed on and will long be remembered by those of us who worked with him for his tireless, faithful and efficient service in the A. N. A. Always a jovial spirit, never confused, possessed of full knowledge of Association affairs, he was an inspiration for all of us.

In 1923, when Harry succeeded Mr. Swanson as General Secretary, I had the pleasure of being elected to the Board of Governors, and since then as Chairman of the Board and President we had for about fifteen years enjoyed the best of cooperative and fraternal friendship without a single dissension or difference of opinion on any matters of importance for the best interest of the A. N. A.

I feel sad in the loss of our old friend and co-worker, Harry Wilson. And when the great amount of work of his office required his retirement, the news was received with deepest regret. I know that every officer of the A. N. A. as well as the membership joins me in deepest sympathy on the death of Harry Wilson, our faithful servant.

NELSON T. THORSON,

Former Chairman, Former President and Member of the Board of Governors.

Omaha, Neb., June 7, 1940.

BEHRENDT PICK.

From Europe comes the news of the death of Prof. Behrendt Pick, noted German numismatist and archaeologist, who died at his home in Berlin on May 3 after a long illness. He was 78 years old.

He was born in Posen (Polish Corridor) on December 21, 1861. After graduation from the Friedrich-Wilhelms-Gymnasium in his native town in 1880 he left for the University of Berlin (Ph. D. 1884), where he studied history, archaeology and classical philology. On the advice of Theodor Mommsen, among whose favorite pupils he was, Mr. Pick took up epigraphy and numismatics. He started working at the Berlin Coin Collection, thus laying the foundation of his later vast numismatic knowledge.

After a short period in the service of the Royal Library in Berlin, in 1889 Mr. Pick continued his studies at the Coin Collection in Athens, and began at Winterthur, Switzerland, with the collaboration of Fr. Imhoof-Blumer the preliminary researches for the "Corpus Numorum" of the Berlin Academy of Sciences. In the same year Mr. Pick became lecturer in archaeology and numismatics at the University of Zurich, and was appointed assistant professor there in 1891.

In 1893 he accepted a position at the Ducal Coin Collection at Friedenstein-Castle in Gotha, Germany, one of Europe's outstanding numismatic cabinets, becoming its director in 1899. Besides being the head of this collection he was the first professor to be called to lecture on numismatics.

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Pres. Stoffet then introduced the Speaker for the evening.

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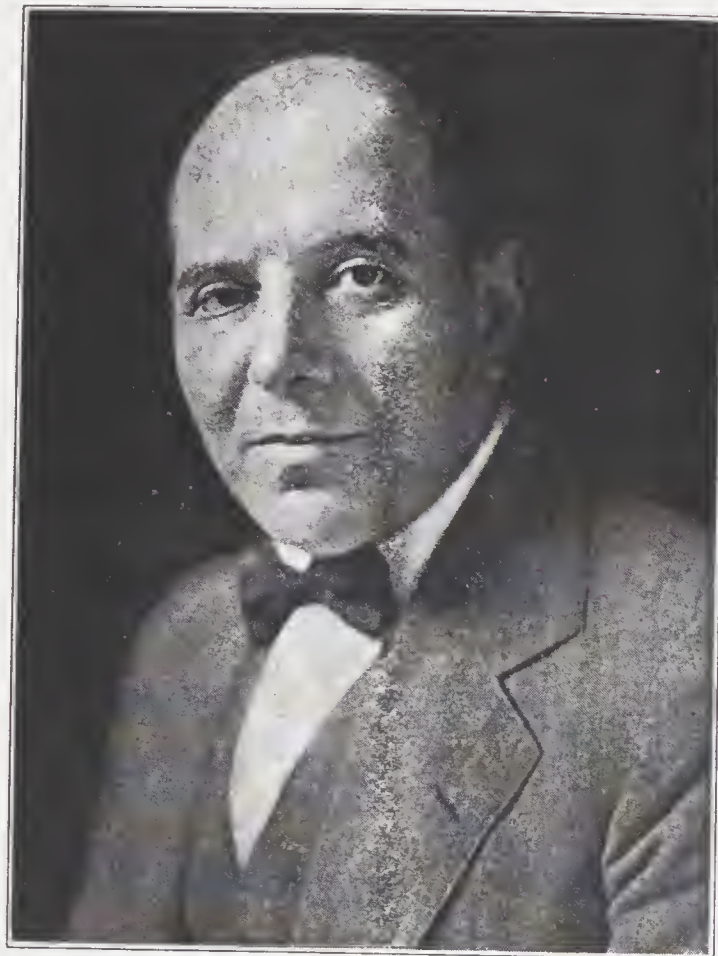
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As a collector Moritz Wormser had many specialties. He had brought together an outstanding group of Transylvanian gold and silver coins, including many of the great rarities. He had a collection of multiple European silver thaler-size coins, which rivaled many collections. Other specialties were mining coins, women's portraits and Oriental rarities. His keen knowledge of numismatics enabled him to know at a glance whether he had a coin or not. His catalogue for many years was in his head. He never collected by date, but was always alert to new portraits and types. He was among the first collectors in this country to specialize in foreign gold coins. His collection embraced coins of all periods and sizes in this metal.

Moritz Wormser was born in Heidelberg, Germany, on August 26th, 1878, the son of a naturalized Californian. His early years were spent in Wiesbaden, Germany, where he attended school. His first interest in coin collecting dates back to this period, as he often said that his father had started



Moritz Wormser.

him about 1890. In 1896, his parents having died, he was brought to this country to live with an uncle. He attended Columbia University, receiving a degree in 1899, and from Colorado College in 1900. He returned to Columbia University and received his civil engineering degree in 1903. He was engaged in contracting until 1911, when he turned his attention to the commercial financing business, which was continued until 1935. In 1936, following a trip abroad, he founded the New Netherlands Coin Company, with which he was identified at the time of his passing.

At approximately the same time that he joined the Association he became a member of the American Numismatic Society and of the New York Numismatic Club. Several months after joining the New York Numismatic Club he became its secretary-treasurer, and served in that capacity until 1917, when he was elected to office in the Association.

THE CURRENCY SITUATION IN SHANGHAI.

The Chase National Bank Collection of Moneys of the World, New York City, has just received specimens of several different types of currency now in circulation in Shanghai, China. A few months ago, when there was a shortage of notes and coins, the public started using postage stamps. Also, tokens were issued by several companies and of special interest are the 2-cent and 3-cent pieces of the China General Omnibus Company. A recent communication contained the following information as to the use of this emergency currency:

"Due to the shortage of 1 and 5 cent notes, the public first started using postage stamps in their place. In actual practice the postage stamps were given as change for amounts less than 10 cents, but not generally accepted in payment for merchandise or service rendered. The copper coins naturally went out of circulation when the actual value of copper contents of the coins became greater than the monetary value. The China General Omnibus Company first started issuing slips of paper on which were printed 1, 2 and 5



cents, but as these very quickly became soiled and worn, they started issuing the enclosed metal tokens. The smaller tokens are valued at 2 cents, although it is not stated. The initials on the token, J. D. S., are the initials of John D. Shotter, the general manager of the company; the larger tokens state their value as 3 cents and do not contain the initials of Mr. Shotter. Most of the larger stores in Shanghai, both Chinese and foreign, issue their own coupons for amounts less than 10 cents, and when buying an article in a small Chinese shop one is apt to get as change postage stamps, bus company's tokens, I. O. U.'s of other stores, etc., as a rule never totaling more than 10 cents."

To alleviate this condition the Central Government of China, Chungking, has issued small-denomination notes and placed in circulation new 1-cent and 5-cent coins made of aluminum. These coins were minted in Shanghai by the American Engineering Corporation under authority of the Government. On the obverse is shown the date and value of the coin, while the reverse has a likeness of an ancient spade coin, similar to that which appeared on Government copper and nickel coins of 1936.

NEW ZEALAND HAS NEW PAPER MONEY.

The Reserve Bank of New Zealand has issued a new one-pound note which should interest American collectors, since a portrait of Captain James Cook appears at the left. At the right is a watermarked head of a Maori chief. The center of the note carries the seal, and the reverse shows a ship at sea. The note is printed chiefly in purple, the predominant color of previous issues. The new notes are almost an inch shorter in length than the old notes. They were engraved by Thomas De La Rue & Co., of London.

ALUMINUM COINS FOR JAPAN.

Japan is to have an issue of 5 and 10 sen aluminum coins in the very near future, as permission for this coinage was recently given by the Imperial Diet. The new aluminum coins will weigh half as much as the present nickel coins. The coins will be milled in similarity to the present 50-sen coins. The 10-sen coins will be issued shortly, but the 5-sen pieces will not appear until next fall.

PERMANENT COIN EXHIBITS IN THE UNITED STATES

The Knox Collection

Buffalo Museum of Science, Buffalo, N. Y.

This collection is one of the few open to the public which endeavors to connect the use of money with the growth of civilization. It is a vivid display which shows the origin of money, its various uses, the development of monetary standards, and includes many rare coins and media of exchange as well as coins of historical importance.

We can give but a brief outline of what this collection contains. However, for those who wish a detailed description, the Museum's bulletin "The Story of Money," an extremely interesting and well illustrated book, is available.

The exhibition begins with the barter period which is represented by specimens of the early forms of barter, and illustrated by a modeled group in wax showing two early tribes exchanging surplus goods. The evolution of China's coinage, early Greek and Roman coins, Mediaeval and modern issues are shown in sequence. Transparent drawings on each side of the cases depict the methods of making coins, from the tedious labor of producing shell money, through the ancient molding and striking processes, to the invention of the screw press and the modern minting methods.

The Knox Collection abounds in the odd and curious media of exchange. These include the rare feather money of the Santa Cruz Islands, Samoan ceremonial mat, wampum, shell and bead money, as well as many other unusual specimens.

The early money of America is well represented—the beaver skin, tobacco, wampum, gold dust, even the bottle of fire water which proved such an efficient medium of exchange in early America.

Other cases show coins of historical interest, cut and counter-stamped coins, coins of the Bible, coins of curious shape, early paper money and modern issues.

The Collection is housed in the Hall of Civilization, and comes under the Museum's general heading of Anthropology. It was made possible through a gift by Mrs. Seymour H. Knox. The specimens were acquired by Mr. Chauncey J. Hamlin, President of the Buffalo Society of Natural Sciences, and arranged by Stuart Mosher, Associate in Numismatics, in 1936.

An inspection of this collection is well worth the while of any one who is interested in a graphic and exciting presentation of the development of man and money.

THE STORY OF MONEY

AS TOLD BY
THE KNOX COLLECTION

By Stuart Mosher

8vo. 77 pages. Stiff paper cover. Illustrated by 36 half-tone plates.
Buffalo, New York, 1936. \$1.00 post paid.

By-Laws, it was voted that Messrs. Childs, Burrage and Hamilton, be advised relative to delinquency in dues for over one year and that if no word is received relative to their wishes as to continuance of membership in the Society, their names shall be automatically dropped from the roll at the next meeting.

Mr. Gifford, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following "slate" for officers:

FOR PRES. - Mr. MORGAN H. STAFFORD;

V.P. & CURATOR - Mr. WALTER P. NICHOLS;

TREASURER - Mr. HENRY EVANSON;

SECRETARY - Mr. SAUL STEINBERG.

A motion was made, seconded, and vote of that the secretary cast one ballot for the "slate" as presented by the Nominating Committee. This was done and the above-named were duly elected to their respective offices for the year 1940.

The retiring president then introduced the new president, Mr. Stafford, and presented him with the Badge of Office. Mr. Stafford thanked the Society for electing him President.

Pres. Morgan H. Stafford in the chair:

Mr. Nichols gave a short talk regarding the excellent work done during the past two years of office of the retiring president, Mr. Shepard Parel, and presented him with a "Past Presidents Badge." Mr. Parel thanked Mr. Nichols and the members.

Secretary passed around for the members inspection numismatic literature, catalogues and price lists received since the last meeting. Circular letters relative to National Coin Week, March 30 to April 6, 1940 were received from David M. Bullman, Chairman.

Sample copies of the new "Coin Collector's Journal" were received from Wayne Raymond, Inc. N. Y.

Mr. H. E. Macintosh of Springfield, Mass. offered to loan the Society moving pictures of the A. N. A. Convention in N. Y. Arrangements will be made to accept his kind offer.

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Mr. Stafford: Chinese coin. One bronze, about 7 inches in diameter;

another (?) one in wood.

Mr. Evanson: 1793, U.S. cent, lettered edge, 1800
over 7 half cent.

Mr. Subak: Coins of Japan, India, Siam, Russia,
Austria and Germany, Roman
Empire, including gold coins.

A. Steinberg
Secretary.

February 26, 1940. The Boston Numismatic Society held its regular monthly meeting and dinner at the Boston City Club on Monday, February 26, 1940. Dinner was served in the main dining room. The business meeting was held in a private room.

713 Presiding: Pres. Stafford. Members present: Messrs. Pond, (Total 8)
Lorenstam, Wardner, Hayden, Doyle, Kelti, and Mr. Steinberg.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.
The secretary read two letters relative to National Coin Week and three monthly reports of the Numismatic Society of South Australia.

Mr. Pond read an interesting letter from R. G. Appleby and, honorary secretary of the Numismatic Society of S. Australia, relative to Mr. Pond's article "The Piastre De Caen - 1810" which was printed in the January Numismatist. Mr. Pond spoke of having had copies printed of his article, several of which were sent to the C. N. A. library and he also distributed several copies to the members present.

Pictures of presumably copies of colonial coins were passed around for the members to identify.

Other numismatic literature received since the last meeting was passed around.

The Executive Committee reported favorably on the applications of the following and they were unanimously elected to membership:

HANS SUBAK, 38 Davison St., Hyde Park, Mass.;

JACOB LEBOWICH, 27 School St., Boston, Mass.;

FRED H. McDERMOTT, 441 Bunker Hill St., Charlestown, Mass.

Mr. Doyle acted as teller.

The president presented a Certificate of Membership to Edgar A. Walke.

Pres. Stafford spoke of the advisability of having a numismatic library in Boston. There was a short general discussion on this subject.

The Speaker for the evening was Pres. Stafford. Topic: "Silver Trade Crosses". Pres. Stafford gave a very interesting talk on this little-known subject and exhibited nine specimens. Mr. Stafford is still working on this subject and perhaps in the near future may have a compa-

ensive account for publication in the Numismatist. March 25, 1940.
 was given a vote of thanks at the conclusion of his talk.

The meeting then adjourned. Next meeting: March 25, 1940.
 Exhibits: Pres. Stafford: A collection of Silver trade crosses.

Mr. Pond: Two books and two foreign catalogues.

Mr. Lowenstein: Four varieties, imitations, of Cal.
 *So. - slugs, 3 in brass and 1 in silver; Sheets of bills, including impressions, made from original plates, of early Mass. currency;

Mr. Wetti: African tribal money;

Mr. Wardner: Various foreign coins and bills.

A. Steinberg,
 Secretary.

The Boston Numismatic Society held its regular monthly meeting and dinner on Monday, March 25, 1940, in Room O at the Boston City Club.

Owing to the absence, due to illness and business reasons, of the officers, the secretary appointed Mr. Wardner, the senior past-president present, to preside over the meeting.

Mr. Wardner welcomed the newly elected members and a guest, Mr. Moore, was introduced to the members present.

Members present: Messrs. Pond, Schuhmacher, Lowenstein, Hayden, Doyle, Reynolds, Lebovich, Subak, Mc Dermott, and Mr. Stamborg. Total 11. Guest of Mr. Pond: Mr. Moore. Total present: 12.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted. The secretary read the various correspondence received. Auction catalogues and price lists were passed around for the members inspection.

There was some discussion relative to National Coin Week (March 30 - April 6 - 1940). General members are planning to make private exhibits.

Messrs. Burrage and Hamilton were dropped from the rolls upon the vote of the body in accordance with the By-Laws. Mr. Child's resignation was accepted.

There followed a general numismatic discussion and exhibits were displayed.

Mr. Lowenstein spoke on a collection of geologic specimens he exhibited. The meeting then adjourned.

Exhibits: Mr. Pond: Medal, 100th Anniversary of American Independence, 1876, bronze (gift), large size.

Medal, Washington Allston, 1847, Bronze.

Mr. Hayden: Panama-Pacific Half Dollar.

Mr. Lowenstein: An interesting collection of geologic specimens, including gold quartz. Catalogues of the A. N. Society, 1914, Exhibition and Mr. Nygren's Gold Collection, priced.

Mr. Wardner: Variety of Postage Currency; notes of various defunct banks; Colonial notes of Mass. & N. H.

Mr. Schuhmacher: Framed shield of the varieties of Fractional Currency.

A. Steinberg, Secretary.



BOSTON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

BOSTON, MASS., U. S. A.

Office of the Secretary

MEMORIAL TO MORITZ WORMSER

BY

SHEPARD POND

BOSTON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

By the sudden death of Moritz Wormser in New York on May 22, 1940, the Boston Numismatic Society suffered the loss of one of its most distinguished members and the numismatic world at large one of its best known figures.

Cultured and widely travelled, the master of several languages, Mr. Wormser was happily able to indulge to a high degree his interests in coins and medals, centering his study, unlike most American numismatists, on Europe rather than the United States. After his election to our Society in 1929 his occasional visits to Boston on personal affairs were often thoughtfully timed to coincide with our meetings and we shall long remember the talks and exhibits with which he entertained us at such times.

Mr. Wormser had an unusual interest in the encouragement of numismatic activities having for many years a member of the Council of the American Numismatic Society and past president of the New York Numismatic Club which honored him at the termination of his presidency by striking a medal bearing his likeness. For over twenty years he had been one of the most influential figures in the American Numismatic Association of which he was once president and several times one of its governors.

His invariable courtesy and sociability coupled with his wide knowledge of coins and medals won him a host of friends and admirers who realize only too well what a gap his passing leaves in American numismatic circles.

In testimony of the esteem in which the memory of Moritz Wormser is held by the members of the Boston Numismatic Society the Secretary has been instructed to enter these sentiments in the Society's record book and to send a copy thereof to the family of our late beloved colleague.

Sept. 30, 1940. The Boston Numismatic Society held its regular monthly meeting and dinner on Monday, September 20, 1940, in Room V, at the Boston City Club. In the absence, due to illness, of the president and vice-president, Mr. Gifford acted as temporary chairman.

716 Members Present: Messrs. Gifford, Doyle, Hayden, Evanson, Subak, Lowenstein, Welte, and Dr. Steinberg. Total: 8.

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H. Steinberg,
Secretary.

April
29,
1940.

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The Boston Numismatic Society held its regular monthly meeting and dinner at the Boston City Club, Room 8, on Monday, April 29, 1940. In the absence of the officers due to illness, Mr. Pond acted as chairman. Members present: Messrs: Wormser, Reynolds, Lowenstein, Welts, Shackford, Davis, Hayden, Mayle, Subak, Prof. Shewing, Mrs. Reed, Steinberg. Total: 13. Guest: Mr. Raymond B. Cox. Total present: 14. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted. The correspondence received since the last meeting was attended to. Several catalogues and price lists were passed around. Mr. Pond read an interesting letter from Lt. Hodson whom we expect to meet with us at the next meeting.

In connection with National Coin Week, Mr. Subak spoke on his exhibit of coins (from 500 B.C. to present) at Hyde Park Y.M.C.A.

Mr. Steinberg spoke briefly on three exhibits: One in a local bank and two in Boston branch libraries. These exhibits traced the New American coinage and concentrated on early American, Colonial, States, and early U.S. and types of coins to the present, excluding gold. They also included Hard Times Tokens, Civil War Tokens or Cents, Purchase cards, increased postage stamps, fractional currency and commemorative coins. He reported that these exhibits were well received by the public.

Mr. Welts spoke on his experiences with various types of coin cabinets and described several which he had specially made.

The Speakers for the evening were Mr. Monty Wormser and Mr. Benjamin Lowenstein. Mr. Wormser: "Coins and Medals Relating to Mines and Mining Scenes"; Mr. Lowenstein: "Russian Coins."

The members were favored with two interesting talks and enjoyed the fine display exhibited in connection with the talks. Mr. Wormser and Mr. Lowenstein received a vote of thanks at the conclusion. The meeting then adjourned. Next meeting, May 27, 1940.

Exhibits: Mr. Wormser: 13 trays of dollar, double, triple and quadruple dollar size coins and medals relating to mines and mining scenes. Gold, silver, and copper.

Mr. Lowenstein: (5) Five large holders of Russian coins and common tokens. (also several early covers and U.S. stamps).

Mr. Welts: Two trays of Russian coins.

Mr. Subak: Coins of Finland and Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Reynolds: Various U.S. gold coins. 1802, 1/4 eagle; 1880 gold dollar; a fine 1799 U.S. cent.

Mr. Steinberg: Assortment of U.S. pattern cents.

S. Steinberg, Secretary

The Boston Numismatic Society held its regular monthly meeting and dinner on Monday, May 27, 1940, in Room C, at the Boston City Club.

Presiding: Pres. Stafford. Members present: Messrs. Pond, Wetti, Schuhmacher, McPermott, Reynolds, Doyle, Hayden, Lomenstam, Subak, Sha. Kfod, Prof. Hewing and Mr. Steinberg. Total: 13; Guests: Mr. Solari, guest of Mr. Evanson and Mr. Vibere, guest of Mr. Shadford. Total present: 15.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Mr. Pond notified the members of the sudden death, on May 22, of our beloved member, Mr. Moritz Wormser and read a memorial testimonial which he had written. It was voted to incorporate the Memorial in the permanent records of the Boston Numismatic Society and that the secretary be instructed to send a copy to Mrs. Wormser and to the American Numismatic Association. All present rose and stood in silence for a moment in respect to our departed colleague.

Several pieces of numismatic literature received since the last meeting were passed around for the members' inspection.

The president presented Certificates of Membership to Mr. Subak and Mr. McPermott.

Mr. Schuhmacher spoke briefly of his recent exhibit of Mass. Tercentenary Medals.

An application for membership was received from Mr. RAYMOND B. COX, of 199 Washington St., Boston (President of Webster and Atlas National Bank of Boston). Because Mr. Cox was well-known to many members of the B.N.S., it was voted that the By-laws be suspended for the purpose of voting on the application. Mr. Cox was unanimously elected to membership. Mr. Hayden acted as teller.

Pres. Stafford passed around the paper published by the Boston City Club, "Life at the City Club," May 27, 1940, in which there appeared a short historical article relative to the Boston Numismatic Society.

The Speaker of the evening was then introduced: Prof. Arthur S. Hewing. Topic: "Guatemala and Maya Ruins." Mr. Hewing, speaking informally, gave an interesting account of his recent travels. Beginning from neolithic times, he related the series of southward migrations from Asia and discussed the evidences of this in the features of the peoples, languages, and neolithic culture present as the movements occurred. The

three cultures of Mexico were mentioned. Reaching the subject of his talk, he discussed the jungles and the Mayan ruins, starting with the first Mayan city as recorded by a "calendar stone," 68 C.E. - He related the series of regular movements of the nomadic tribes and the various civilizations developed. The important role played by the Priests in Mayan life, the classes of people, the series of three deities (Sun, Moon, and Fertility), the characteristics and life in general of the Mayan people, the series of movements in relation to "corn culture" with the jungle overtaking each city left behind, and the recording of the Mayan history on "Calendar Stones," were all described in detail. He spoke of the difficulty of correlating Mayan chronology with the Christian chronology and described the "Calendar Stones" and significance of their hieroglyphics as well as mentioning other large stones in the shape of animals. The various tribes, religions, superstitions, customs, languages, dress and diet were all enumerated. He exhibited maps and numerous pictures in connection with his talk.

At the conclusion, Pres. Stofford thanked Prof. Hewing for the Society for his very interesting and instructive narration. There was a short general discussion relative to the talk and Prof. Hewing answered questions put by the members.

Mr. Stofford gave a short account of a supposedly ancient stone ruin (87 tons) in North Salem, N. Hampshire. The meeting then adjourned. Next meeting in September.

Exhibits: Prof. Hewing: Maps & pictures in connection with his talk.

Mr. Stofford: Ostrogoths; Rase, Formosa dollar, 1840; Several Chinese dollars; Coins of Sassania, Tibet and Cambodia.

Mr. Vihre: 7 Large holders containing a fine collection of Chinese dollars and "medallions."

Mr. Bond: Book: "Numismatic History of Mexico (Pre-Columbian) to 1823."

Mr. Welter: Two trays: Coins of Sassanian (224-651) Empire.

Mr. Lowenstein: Gustavus Adolphus dollar Sweden; Bryan piece "one penny," red wax edge; English-Irish shilling of Chas. II; Continental Currency N.S. Scrip. Prov. 1921 dollar (N.S.). French 1921 dollar, part of edge without milling.

H. Steinberg, Secretary

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H. Steinberg,
Secretary.

October
28,
1940.

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Presiding: Pres. Stafford. Members present: Messrs. Bond, Hayden, Hoyle, Mc Dermott, Shackford, Lowenstam, Reynolds, Davis, and Mr. Steinberg. Total: 10.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted. Numismatic correspondence received since the last meeting was disposed of.

A favorable report having been given by the Executive Committee relative to the application for membership of Mr. LOUIS SOLARI of 45 Moreland St., Somerville, Mass., he was unanimously elected to membership in the Society.

The members were informed of Mr. Pond's reelection as "corresponding member" for 1941 of the Numismatic Society of South Australia. Mr. Pond spoke of his papers to the above-named Society. He also read a paper on "The Spanish Dollar," relating its historical development and influence in trade and commerce. He donated a copy of "The Silver Crowns of France," of the Coin Collectors' Series, No. 3, to the Boston Numismatic Society's library. The body gave him a vote of thanks for his paper and donation.

Mr. Stafford commented on Mr. Pond's talk.

Mr. Lowenstam spoke, in connection with his exhibit on a collection of "plate proofs" of various bank notes including early Mass. Colonial bills.

Mr. Stafford also spoke and exhibited several early and rare Mass. notes and a Jewish shekel and briefly outlined a plan which he is developing for a "Nobby Headquarters" at the Boston City Club.

Mr. Pond spoke relative to the 7th Annual Banquet of the Bronx Coin Club.

A general numismatic discussion and examination of the exhibits followed. The meeting then adjourned. Next meeting: November 25, 1940.
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Mr. Pond: Books: Coin Collectors' Series, No. 3: "The Silver Crowns of France."

Two large illustrated volumes on Spanish Dollars, in connection with his paper. Varieties of dollars of the world in connection with their development, and the various Spanish Dollars.

Mr. Lowenstam: Plate proofs of various banks, showing progress and development of the bank notes in various stages. Also, plate proofs (at a later date) of early Mass. Colonial Bills.

Mr. Stafford: Jewish Shekel. Various early and rare Mass. colonial notes.

Mr. Steinberg: Varieties of U.S. Dollars, the early ones classified as to Hazelton's

Type Table.

H. Steinberg,
Secretary.

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List of Certificates of Membership issued

1924

sent out Oct. 6, 1924, but not bearing such date on certificate

GIFFORD,	Carleton Sprague		
WILLEY,	William Lithgow		
POND,	Shepard		
COMSTOCK,	William O.	X	DECEASED
FAELTEN,	Reinhold		
JOY,	Fred	X	
HAMILTON,	S. L.	X	
MORSE,	Charles W.	X	
ROBINSON,	John	X	
SHEPARDSON,	E. E.	X	
SHUMWAY,	F. H.	X	
STAFFORD,	M. H.		(DIED 11/20 '40)
STORER,	Malcolm	X	DECEASED
TILDEN,	G. L.		
WHEELER,	Horace L.	X	DECEASED
WOOD,	Howland	X	DECEASED
KIMBALL,	George R.	X	
ACKERMAN,	L. D.	X	
DAVIS,	C. A.		
KUHN,	H. L.	X	DROPPED
APPLETON,	William S., Jr.	X	
MORIATY,	G. A., Jr.	X	
WATSON,	Lester		
STORER,	J. H.	X	
CHILDS,	P. D.	X	
BROWN,	A.		
WARDNER,	G. W.		
BATES,	G. E.	X	
REDDY,	John	X	
GUTTAG,	Julius		DROPPED
STEARNS,	Foster W. - Honorary		Sent out Feb. 19, 1925 dated May 28, 1924

1925

sent out Feb. 19, 1925 - dated Jan. 1, 1925

PERRY,	Henry J.	X	
ALLEN,	H. L.	X	
PUTNAM,	Eben	X	
GRAY,	Harry A.	X	
STEINMETZ,	S. J.	X	
LEBLANC,	J. F.		
MORSE,	C. L.	X	
WAITT,	Joseph E.	X	
1927	sent out Jan. 17, 1927		dated respective dates of elections
BROWN,	Frank O.	X	DECEASED
BOYLE,	M. J.	X	
RICHMOND,	Charles A.	X	
1928	sent out June 14, 1928		dated April 27 th 1928
BURRAGE,	Russell	X	DROPPED
ROWELL,	Warren A.		dated Nov 5 1928; - sent out Dec 4 1928
DEWING,	Arthur S.		dated Nov 5 1928; - sent Dec 10 1928
MARCUS,	Charles	X	dated Nov 5 1928; - sent Dec 10 1928
LOWENSTAM,	Benjamin G.		dated Jan 1 1929; - sent Jan 8 1929
1929	WORMSER,		Moritz (DIED 5/22/40) May 22 nd 1929
SWAIN,	Howard J.	X	dated Jan 7, 1929 - sent June 27, 1929
ALBRECHT,	William C.	X	dated Dec 3, 1928 - sent June 27, 1929
1930	AMEE (res 11/10),		Albert F. dated Nov 25 1930 - sent Dec 9, 1930
1931	NICHOLS (DIED 2/21/41),		Walter P. dated Apr 27 1931 - sent June 5, 1931
1932	PRIOR,		Fred W. dated Nov. 16 1931 - sent March 23 1932
BLANEY,	Richard		dated Feb 29 1932 - sent March 23 1932
HAMILTON,	Perley P.	X	dated Apr 25 1932 - sent March 23 1932
MOXLEY,	Roland R.	X	dated Nov 28 1932 - sent Dec 28 1932
1933	BARNEY,		Kenneth M. dated Apr 24 1933 - sent June 20 1933
HOWARD,	Ralph W.		dated May 22 1933 - sent June 20 1933
1934	SCHUHMACHER,		Henry dated April 30 1934 - sent May 21 1934
EVANSON,	Henry		dated Dec. 28 1934 -
1935	STEINBERG,		Saul dated Oct. 28 1935 - sent Dec. 28, 1935
BLAKE,	George H.		dated Oct. 28 1935 - sent Dec. 31 1935
1936	WALDHEIM,		Robert C. (DROPPED 1/26/42)
DODSON,	Oscar H.		
1937	WENZELBERGER,	X	Henry April 26. DECEASED
BURKE,	Rydon.		Dec. 27.

ELECTED - DATE OF CERTIFICATES

1938	HAYDEN,	Walter C.	Nov. 28.
	DOYLE,	Joseph B.	Nov. 28.
	OUMET,	Francis De Sales.	Dec. 30. (Dropped 1/26/42)
1939	REED, (M.D.)	Dr. Victor A.	Jan. 30. (DIED 2/24/42)
	DECORMIS,	Redington M.	Jan. 30.
	REYNOLDS,	Samuel S.	April 24.
	SHACKFORD,	Ernest R.	Nov. 27.
1940	WELTI,	Edgar A.	Jan. 29.
	SUBAK,	Wans	Feb. 26.
	LEBOWICH,	Jacob	Feb. 26.
	McDERMOTT,	Fred H.	Feb. 26.
	SOLARI,	Louis	Oct. 28.
	VIKRE,	Ole Berner	Dec. 30.
	GRANT,	Horace M.	Dec. 30.
	HALL,	Jack	Dec. 30.
	COX,	Raymond B.	May 27.
1941	CHELL-FROST,	Malcolm O.E.	June 27-1941
	STIFF,	James J.	Mar 31-1941
	WHETTON,	Frederick A.	April 28-1941
	MACDONALD,	Alexander R.	May 23-1941
	HEIDE,	Herman J.	Oct 27.
	KNUDSON,	Thomas,	Oct 27.
	WHEELWRIGHT,	Merriam.	DEC 27.
1942	SONNABEND,	LEOPOLD M.	SEPT. 28
	KLEIN,	JESSE	SEPT. 28
	HANLEY,	ALBERT LEO,	NOV. 30
	KUHN, MAJ.	HERBERT LEWIS,	DEC. 28,
	RUSSELL,	DR. LESLIE A.	DEC. 28.
	KATEN,	FRANK J.	DEC. 28
1943	GULLICKSON,	FRED THEODORE,	MAY 2
	APPLETON,	WILLIAM SUMNER,	NOV. 29
	TUTTLE,	EARL VICTOR,	NOV. 29
	VOLK,	PAUL V.	NOV. 29
1944	EVANS,	CHARLES ELMER,	FEB. 28
	HOFFMANN,	WM C. L.	FEB. 28
	DAVIS.	V. BRUCE,	APL 24.

Boston Numismatic Society

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Be It Known that
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In Testimony whereof we have subscribed our
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M. H. Stafford Of Newton Dies

Retired Broker
Was Genealogist

Morgan H. Stafford, 67, of 343 Cabot street, Newtonville, retired investment broker and genealogist, died yesterday at Newton Hospital after a brief illness.

A native of Marquette, Mich., he was in the investment business in Boston for 20 years, retiring 10 years ago to devote his full time to genealogy, which he had been interested in for many years. He had published books on several family names and was about to publish one on the Kidder family at the time of his death. He was also compiling data on the Thorndike family.

He was a member of the New England Historical Society, several Masonic orders, the Sons of the American Revolution, Society of the Mayflower Descendants, Society of Colonial Wars, the Lawrence Men's Club of St. Paul's Cathedral in Boston, and St. John's Episcopal Church in Newton. During the world war he served with the Red Cross as a captain in Rome.

He leaves his widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Stafford; two brothers, Walter of Waban and Edward of Pasadena, Calif.; and a nephew, the Rev. Dr. Russell H. Stafford of the Old South Church in Boston.

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Nov 2, 1940

MORGAN H. STAFFORD

THE CLUB has lost one of its kindest characters in the passing away of Morgan H. Stafford. Following an illness of several weeks he died on Wednesday, November 20, at Newtonville, at the age of sixty-seven.

Previous to his retirement from business about ten years ago, Mr. Stafford had maintained his own investment business in Boston. Of late years he took a deep interest in genealogy and was the author of several books on family names.

His interest in, and his love for, The Boston City Club was very great. In fact, one day before his death he had written to the Club concerning a friend of his whom he was about to propose for membership.

His many friends in the Club will miss very greatly a warmhearted, courteous gentleman who was at all times eager and anxious to be of assistance in the various activities of the Club.

November
25,
1940.

The Boston Numismatic Society held its regular monthly meeting and dinner, in a private room, at the Boston City Club on Monday, November 25, 1940. Acting Chairman: Mr. Paul. Members present: Messrs. Davis, Prior, Subak, Walte, Wardner, Reynolds, Lowenstein, Doyle, Hayden, McHermott, Gifford and Mr. Steinberg. Total: 13. Guests: Mr. O. B. Vikre of Brighton, Mass.; Mr. Horace M. Grant of Providence, R. I.; Mr. Hans Schulman of New York City. Total present: 16.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted. Correspondence received since the last meeting was acted upon. Several price lists, numismatic circulars, etc. were passed around for inspection.

Three applications for membership were received and were referred to the Executive Committee for routine action: Mr. JACK HALL, 20 Helden St., W. Roxbury, Mass.
Mr. OLE BERNER VIKRE, 34 Matchett St., Brighton, Mass.

Mr. HORACE M. GRANT, 109 Empire St., Providence, R. I.

The members were informed of the Society's great loss in the recent death, on November 20, of our colleague and President, Morgan H. Stafford. Mr. Paul read a Memorial Testimonial which he had prepared and it was voted to incorporate it in the permanent records of the Society and a copy sent to Mrs. Stafford and to "The Numismatist". All present rose and stood in silence for a moment in respect to our departed comrade.

The secretary announced a donation to the Society's library—a booklet and supplement, "Our Metallic Money" (by E. O. Webb), from the New Netherlands Coin Co. of New York. Also, donation of two medals were received from Mr. Paul:

(1) The 25th Anniversary Medal of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, which was received from Harvey L. Hansen, Secretary of the above named Society and sent with this compliment;

(2) A "presidential medal" of Moritz Wormser, struck by the New York Coin Club.

The Society was pleased to receive these medals and a vote of thanks was given to Mr. Pord.

There was some discussion relative to the listing of the Boston Numismatic Society as "Branch No. 8" of the American Numismatic Association in the A. N. A. Directory. It was pointed out that this error in listing has persisted for some time and that much correspondence had transpired in the past relative to it. The members were informed that the Boston Numismatic Society was founded in 1860 and is not a "branch" of any other organization. It is hoped that this error in listing will not occur again.

There were comments relative to a new book in "John Bull."

The members were informed that Mr. Pord gave a talk on "Numismatics - the Study of Coins and Medals" at the Nov. 20th meeting of the "Club of Odd Volumes" in Boston.

Mr. Horace M. Grant was called upon to say a few words. He spoke with feeling relative to the decease of our president and also of that of Moritz Wormser and told of his many pleasant associations with them in the past. He then commented briefly on "John Bull" and exhibited a pine tree shilling. He also spoke of the efforts being made to obtain the cooperation of the various New England numismatic societies and of the value of such cooperation both locally and to the A. N. A. in general. He outlined a plan for the advancement of numismatics by having the various numismatic societies donate numismatic books and literature to local libraries so that members and others might have easy access to them. This plan is being carried out by the Rhode Island Coin Club, and Mr. Grant showed bound volumes of "The Numismatist"

with "P.I.C.C." stamped on the binding, which were being donated to the Providence library. This plan was well thought of by those present and it was agreed that numismatics might be further advanced were this procedure generalized throughout the country. He also spoke briefly in the A. N. A. Convention at Detroit and exhibited a collection of attributed "Japanese Old Gold and Silver Coins" with comments as to how he happened to obtain it. Mr. Gifford and others commented on this collection. Mr. Grant told some amusing anecdotes during his talk.

Mr. Hans Schulman was next called upon and he expressed his sympathies in the Society's great loss. He brought us news and greetings from his father who is known to many of the members. He then exhibited a representative collection of "Odd and Curious Money" from various parts of the world and gave an interesting ^{account of} the history of the various pieces.

The chairman and members expressed their pleasure in having Mr. Grant and Mr. Schulman with us. A vote of thanks was given them for their interesting talks and exhibits.

Mr. Grant invited the members to attend the January meeting of the Rhode Island Coin Club.

Mr. Vike brought us greetings from St. Modocan.

The members then examined and discussed the exhibits. The meeting then adjourned.

Next meeting: Monday, Dec. 30, 1940.

Exhibits: Mr. Grant: Pine Tree Shilling; Collection of Japanese Old Gold & Silver Coins, attributed and mounted in a book and.

Mr. Subak: Collection of Carolus Tiberius' related coins.

Mr. Lowenstein: Several medals and crowns.

Mr. Sternberg: Two pattern silver dollars, 1879.

Mr. Schulman: Collection of "Odd and Curious Money" from various and remote regions of the globe. This included some rare items. H. Sternberg, Sec.

December 30
19407¹⁴

The Boston Numismatic Society had its regular monthly meeting and dinner in Room "5" at the Boston City Club on Monday, December 30, 1940.

Mr. Davis acted as Chairman. Members Present: Messrs Pond, Prior, Shuckmather, Dewing, Sutar, Wilti, Doyle, Hayden, McSermont, and Dr. Steinberg - Total 11.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted. Correspondence received by the Secretary was acted upon.

One application for membership was received and referred to the Executive Committee. Malcolm O. E. Phell-Frost of 11 Rensselaer St. Boston, Mass.

The Executive Committee reported favorably on the following applicants and they were elected to membership: -
Ole Berner Vikre, 34 Matchett St. Brighton, Mass.
Jack Hall, 20 Nelson St. Westbury, Mass.
Horace M. Grant, 109 Empire St. Providence, R.I.
Mr. Doyle acted as teller.

Mr. Pond donated numbers 1 and 2 of the Coin Collectors' Series and also two pamphlets of the Bulletin of the Business Historical Society, the latter containing numismatic material. Articles by Mr. Pond. He was given a vote of thanks for his donations. He also reported that he had received the Society's Presidential Badge of Office and Collection from Mr. Stafford and it was agreed that he should retain custody until the election of new officers in January. There was a short general discussion regarding the best method of disposal of a 75th Anniversary Medal and also a set of three medals of the

60th Anniversary which may come up for sale.

Mr. Davis appointed a nominating Committee to bring in a "slate" for officers for 1941. As Mr. Davis was "acting" Chairman, it was voted to elect the officers for 1941. Nominating Committee as presented:

Mr. Gifford Chairman, Messrs Prior and Davis. Mr. Pond exhibited several dollar sized coins and spoke on the "Champagne Dollar", a 2 Zhalu piece of Frederick Wilhelm IV of Prussia explaining the origin of the name as due to the price of a bottle of Champagne. He also brought his greetings from T. Dodson.

Mr. Wilti spoke briefly regarding "Special Subjects" for talks at the meetings.

Mr. Dewing exhibited some rare ancient coins and gave an interesting account of their development.

Next meeting, January 27, 1941. Annual meeting and election of officers for 1941.

The meeting then adjourned.

Exhibits - Mr. Pond - Numbers 1 and 2 of the Coin Collectors' Series - "U.S. Commemorative Coins 1892-1929" and "The Coins of Mexico 1536-1939" and two pamphlets containing the following articles written by him: "The Suet, once an important coin in European Business" and "The Louis d'Or" several dollar sized coins, including the "Champagne Dollar".

" Mr. Hayden - King Edward VII Set 1936
" Mr. Dewing - Rare gold and silver ancient coins, Lydia, Sicia, Albania, Syracuse and Taranta -
D. Steinberg, Secy

